

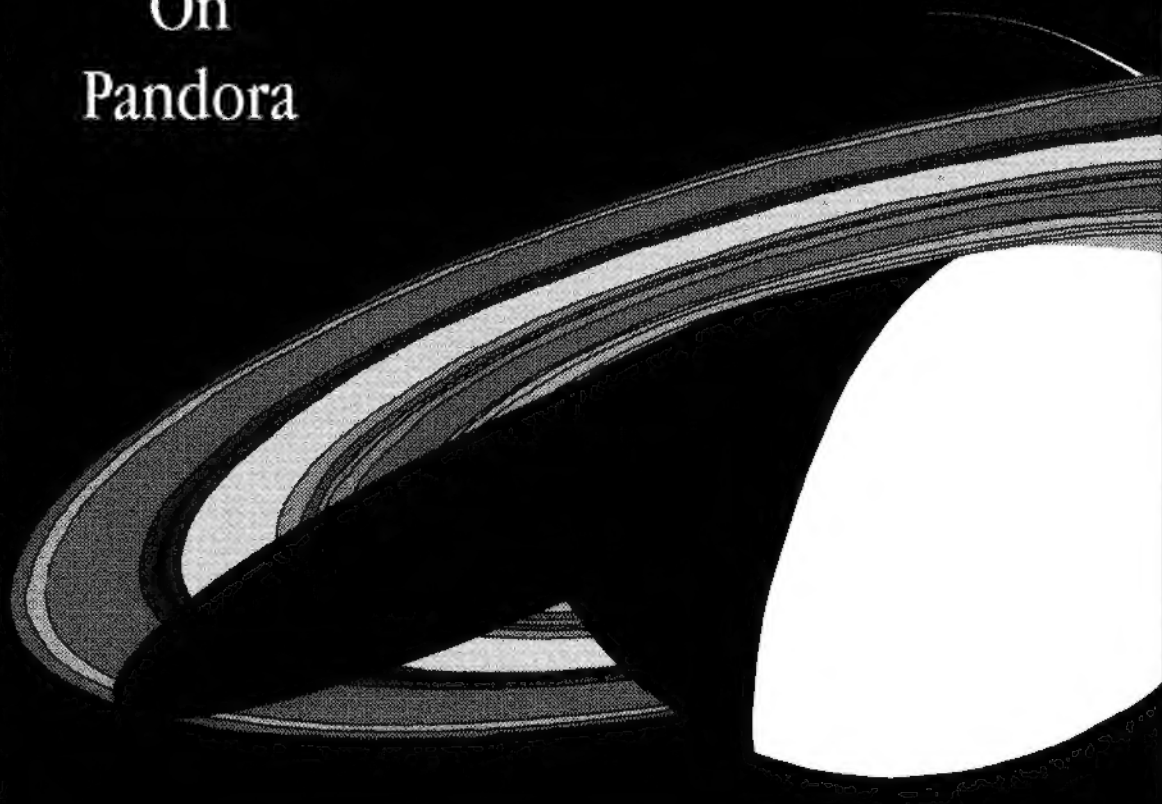


Lovely Strange Dark

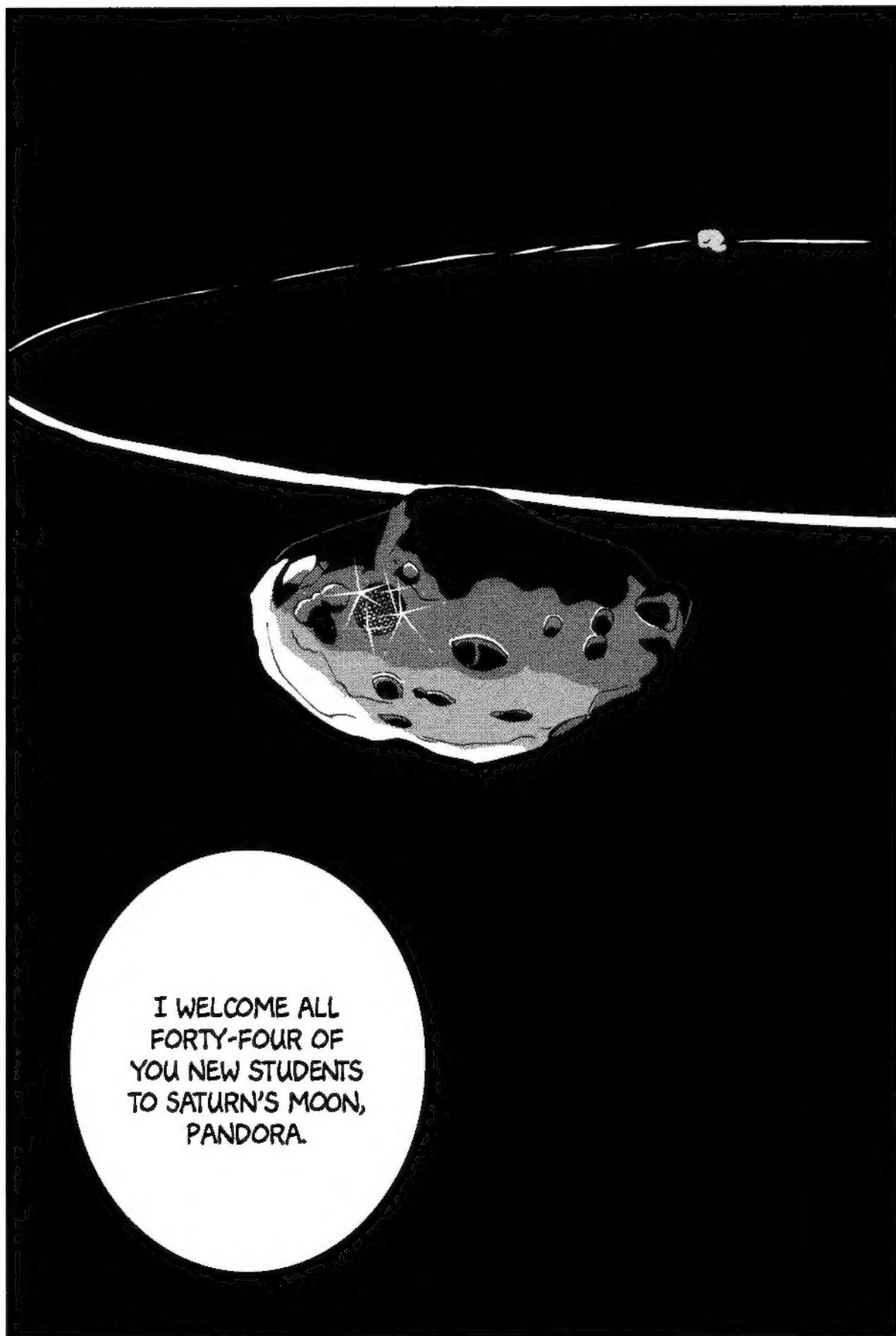
25-JI NO VACANCES
"A 25-HOUR VACATION"
BY ICHIKAWA HARUKO
STORY 3

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On Pandora



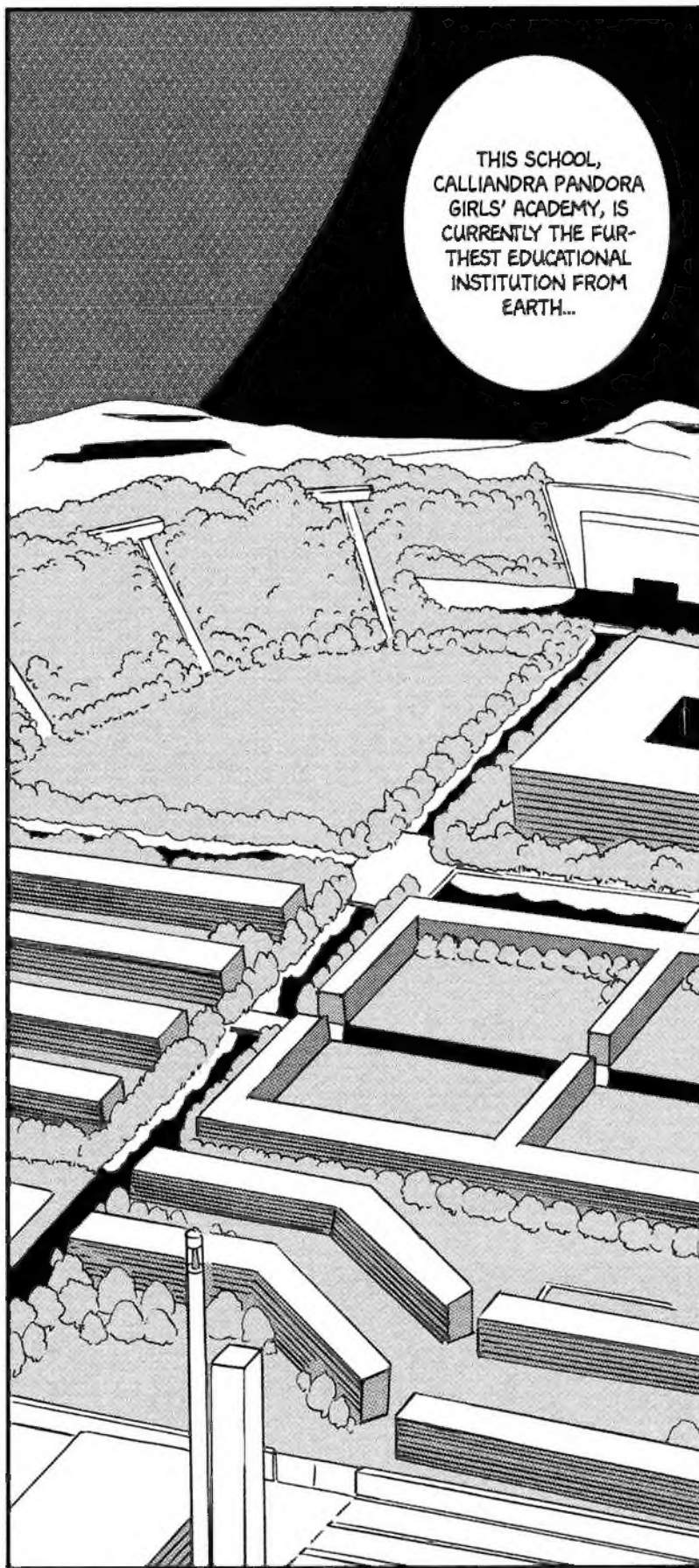
WE ARE ONE
BILLION, THREE
HUNDRED MILLION
KILOMETERS
FROM EARTH.



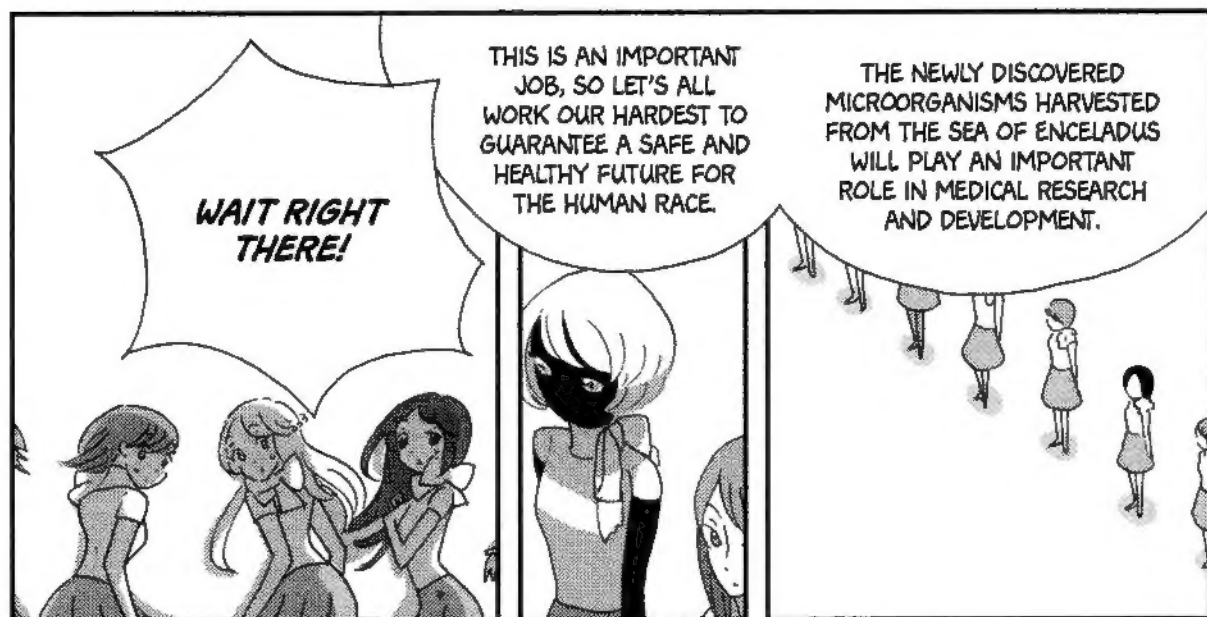
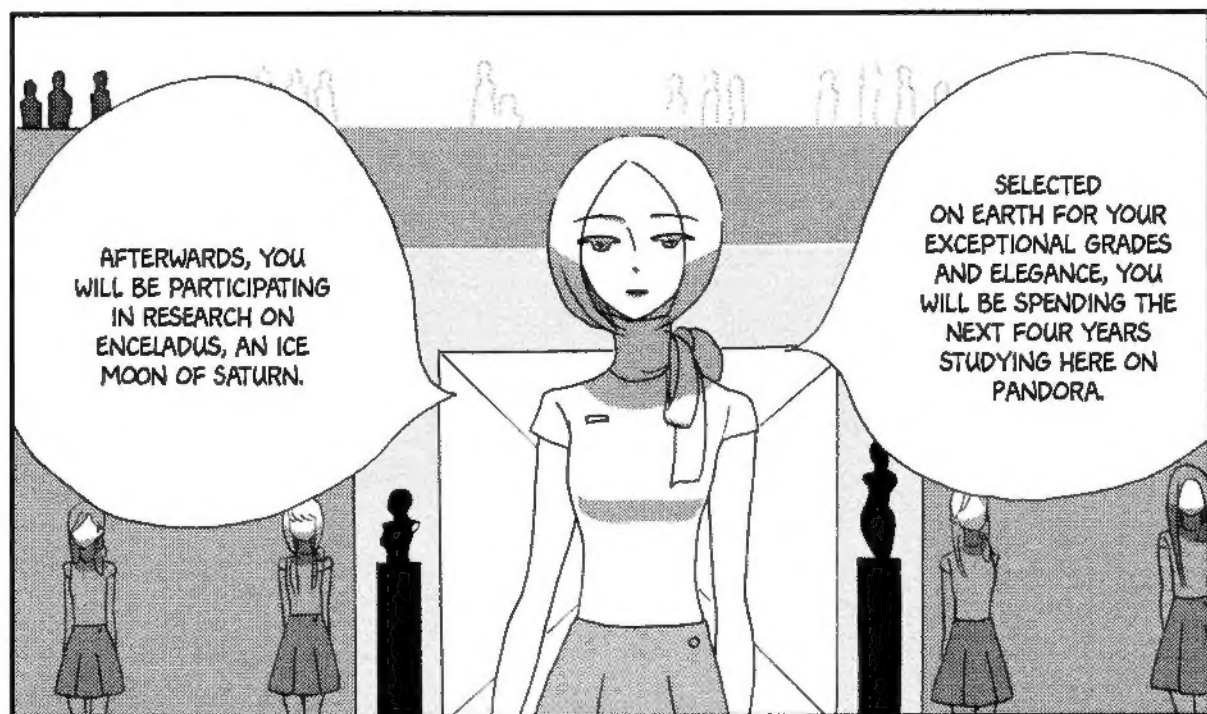
I WELCOME ALL
FORTY-FOUR OF
YOU NEW STUDENTS
TO SATURN'S MOON,
PANDORA.

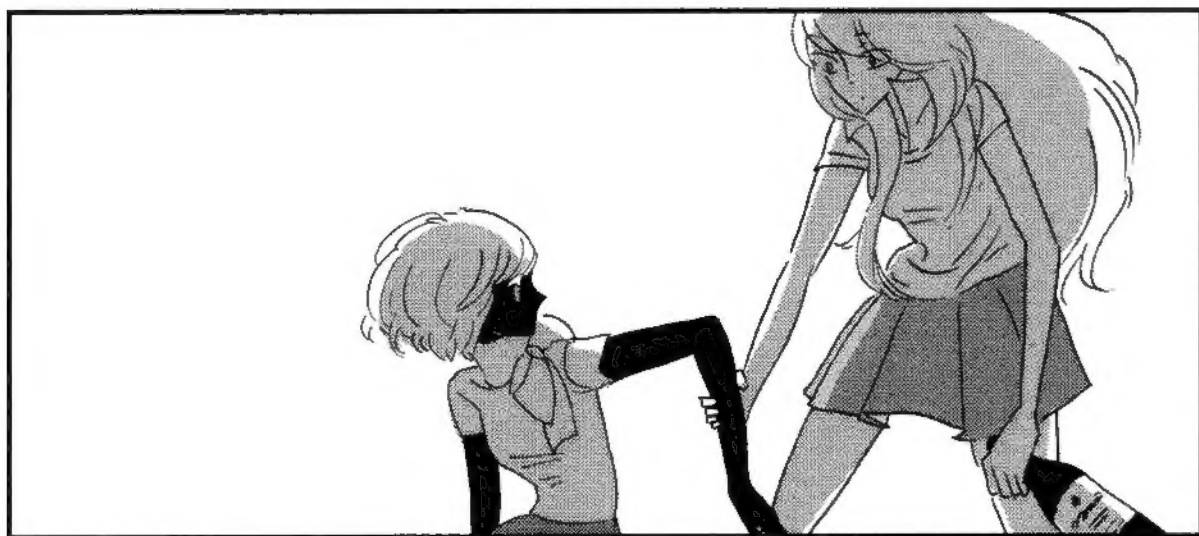
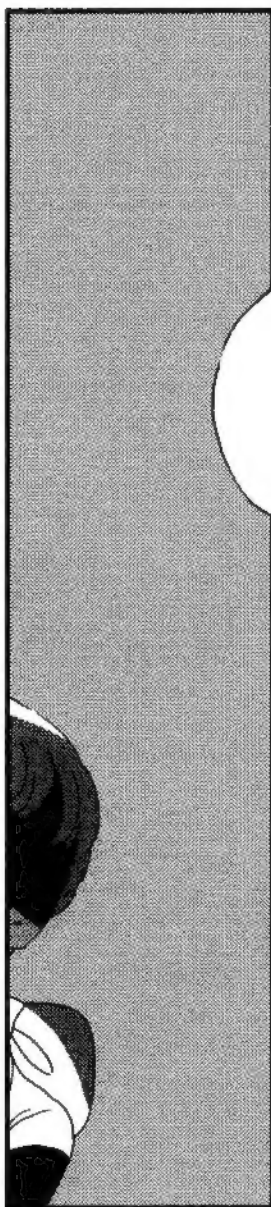


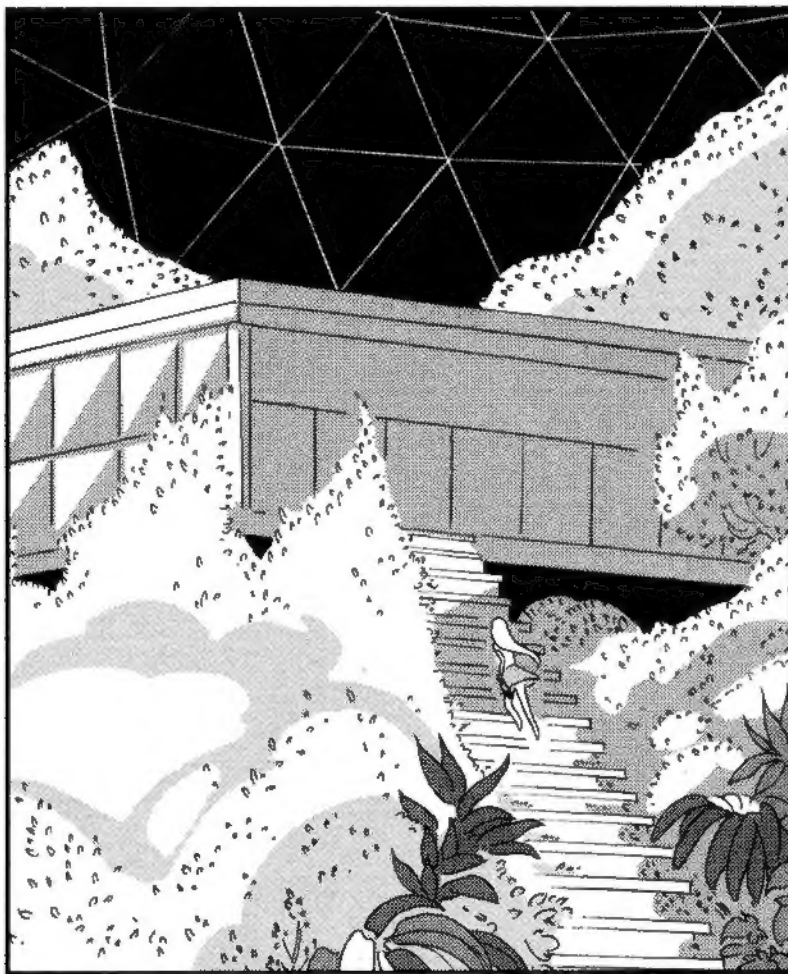
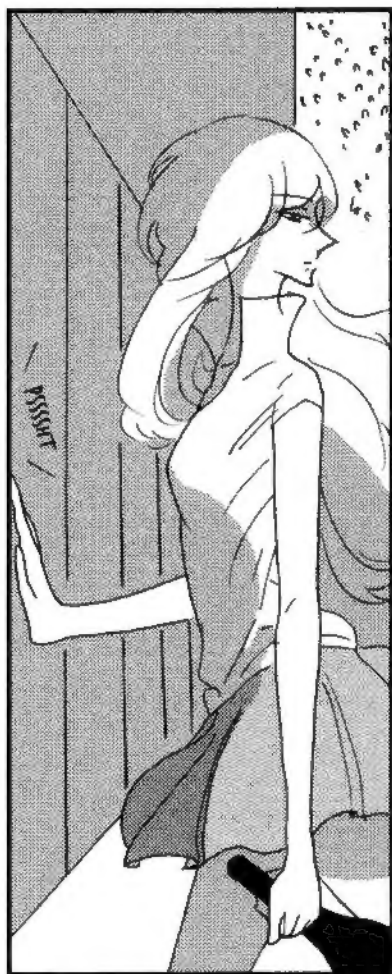
...AND IS
LOCATED IN
A CRUCIAL
POSITION FOR
EXPLOITATION
OF SATURN
SPHERE
LIFEFORMS.

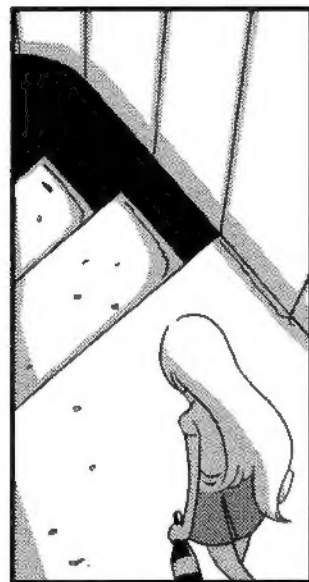
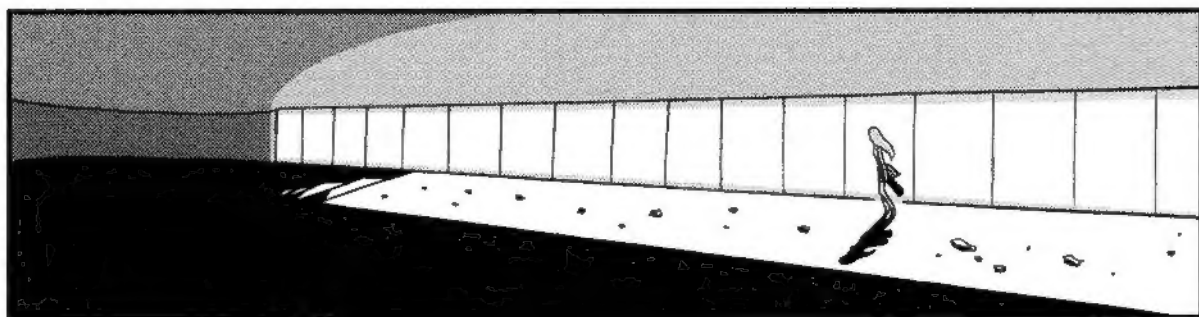


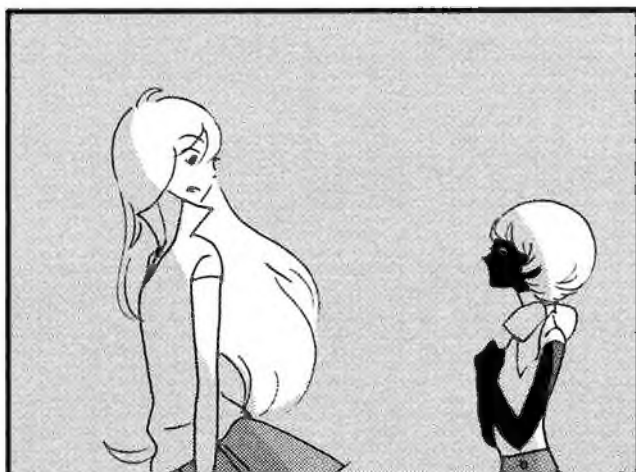
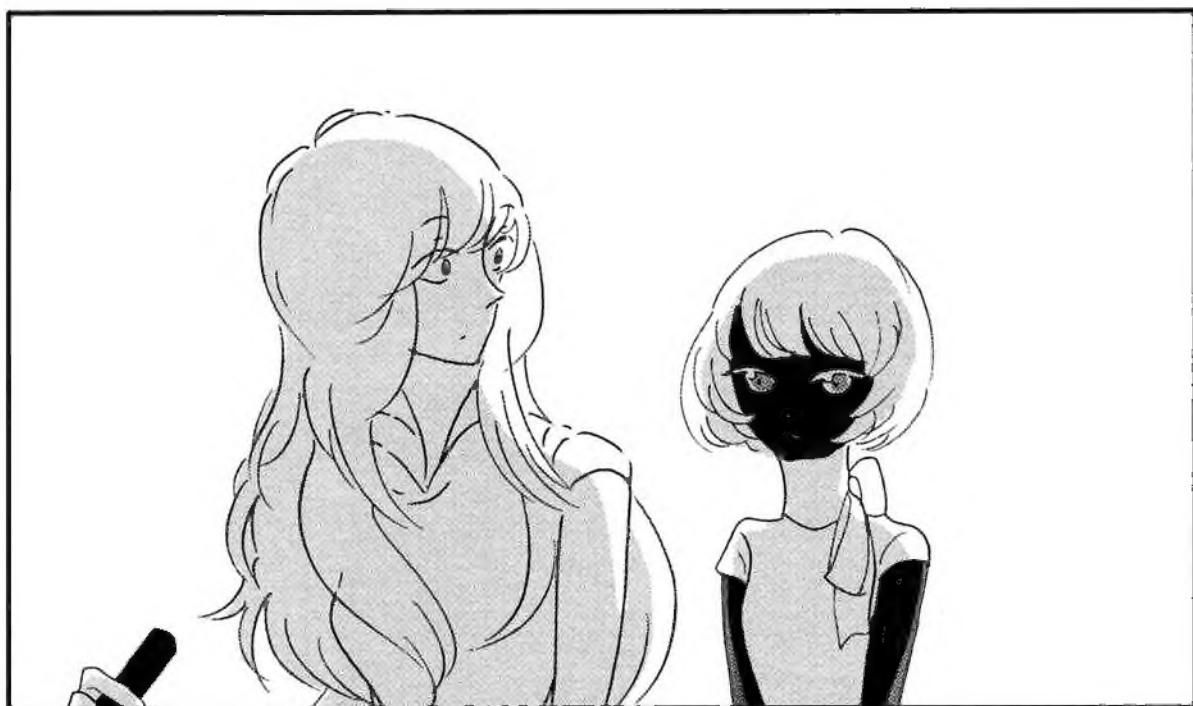
THIS SCHOOL,
CALLIANDRA PANDORA
GIRLS' ACADEMY, IS
CURRENTLY THE FUR-
THEST EDUCATIONAL
INSTITUTION FROM
EARTH...





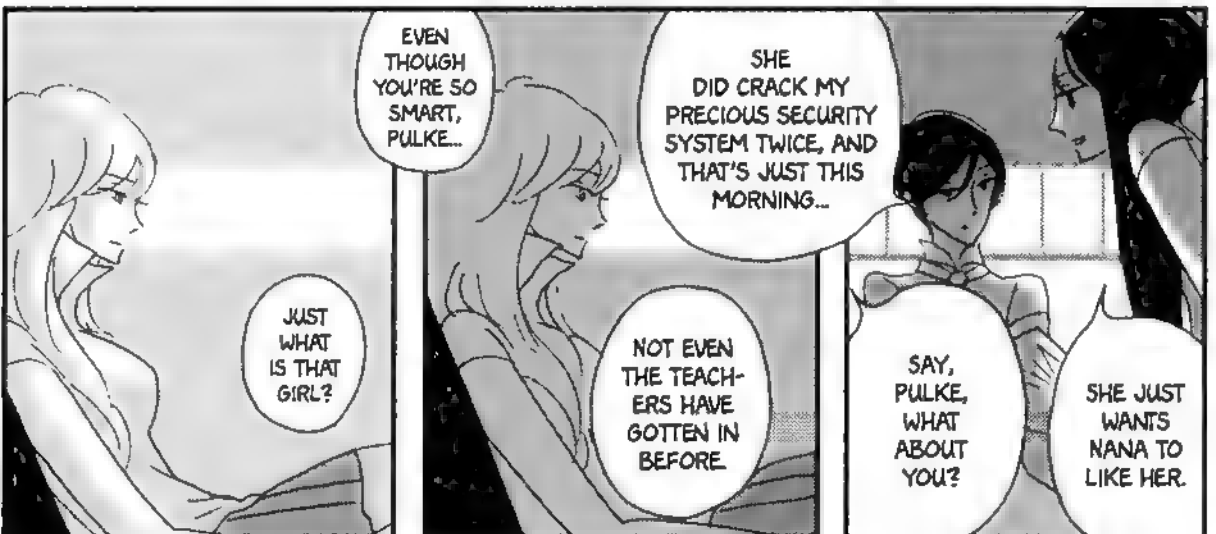
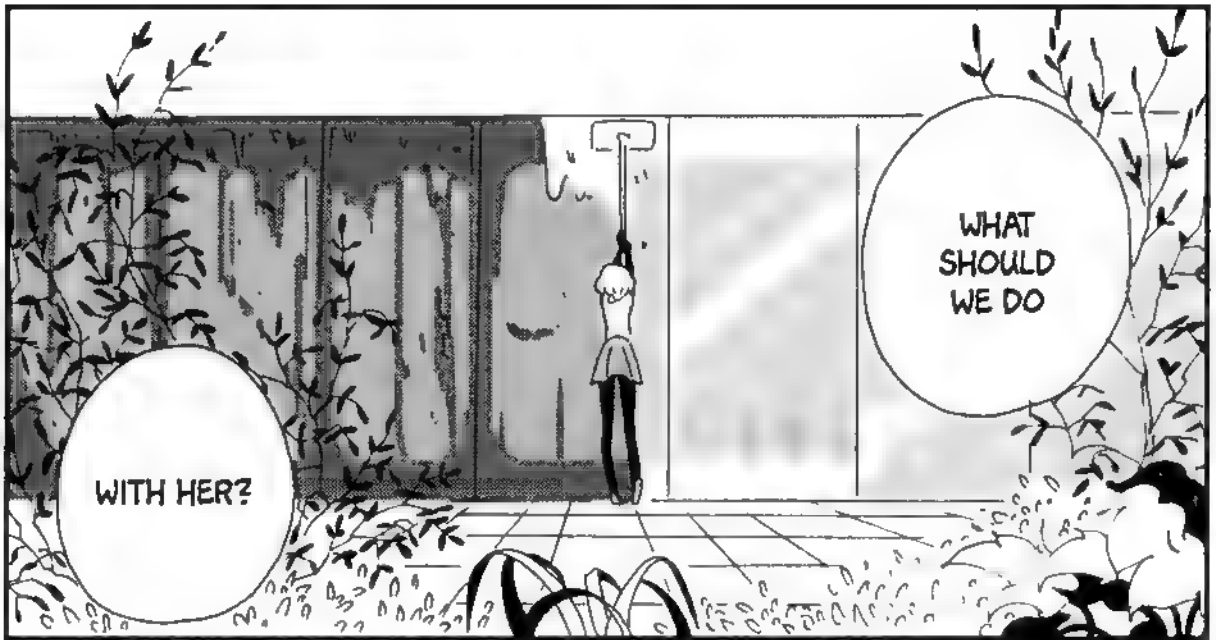


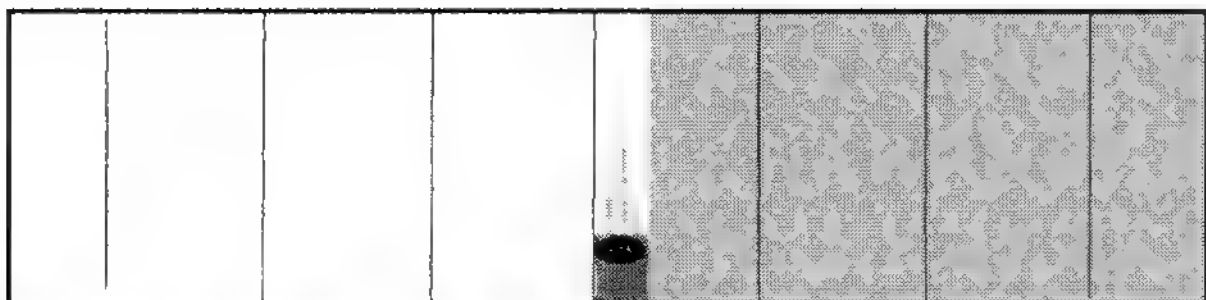
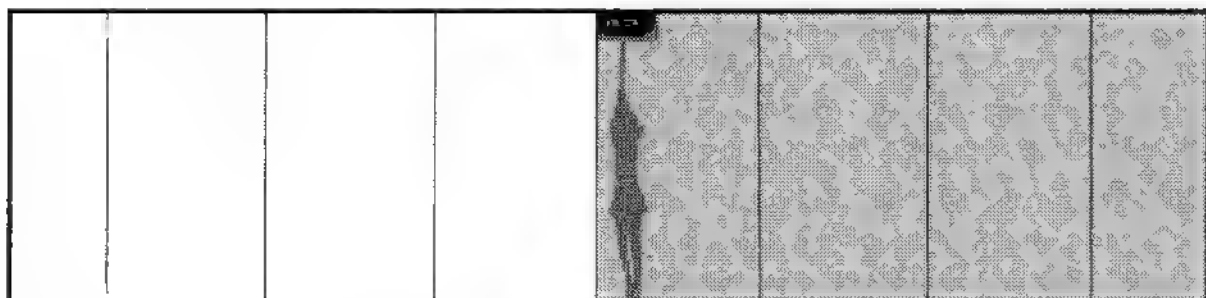


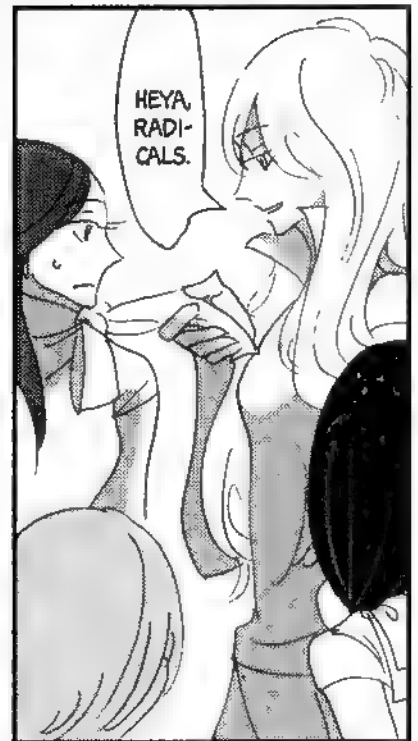
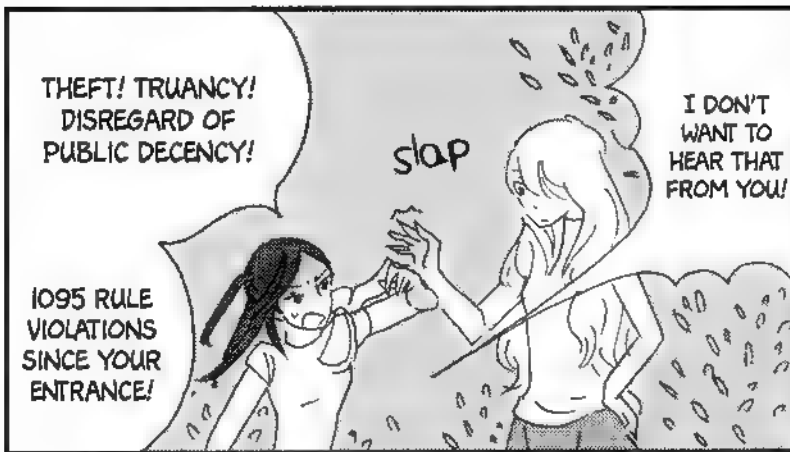


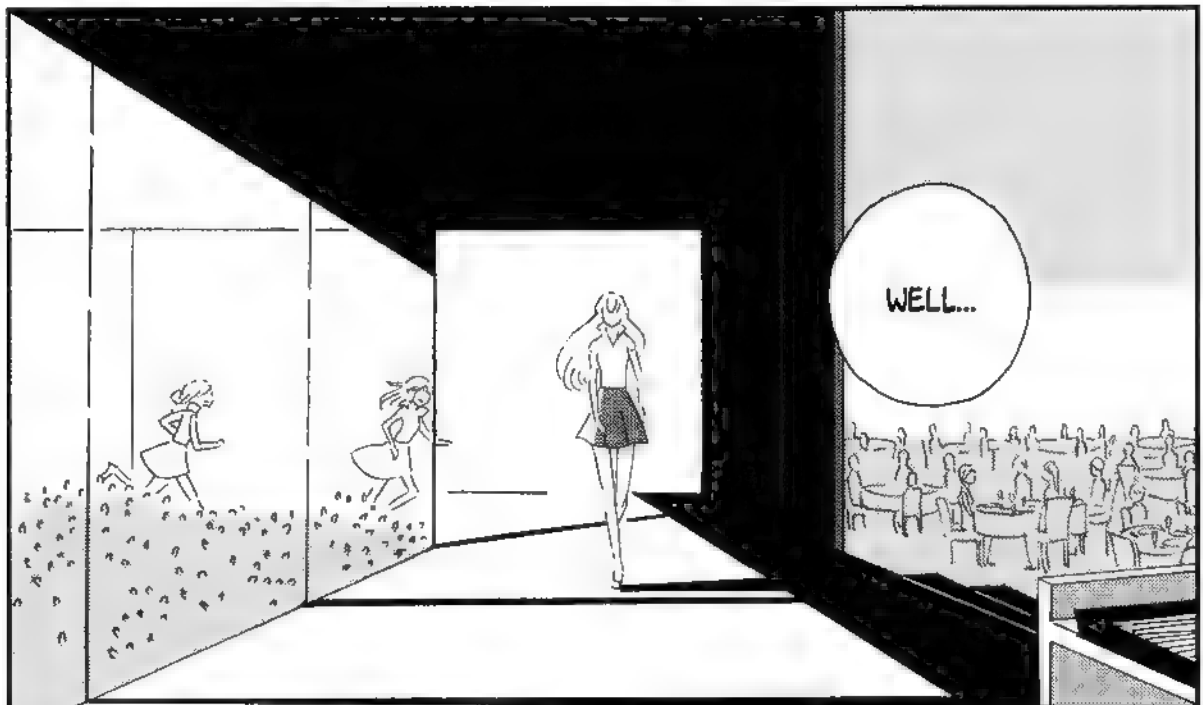
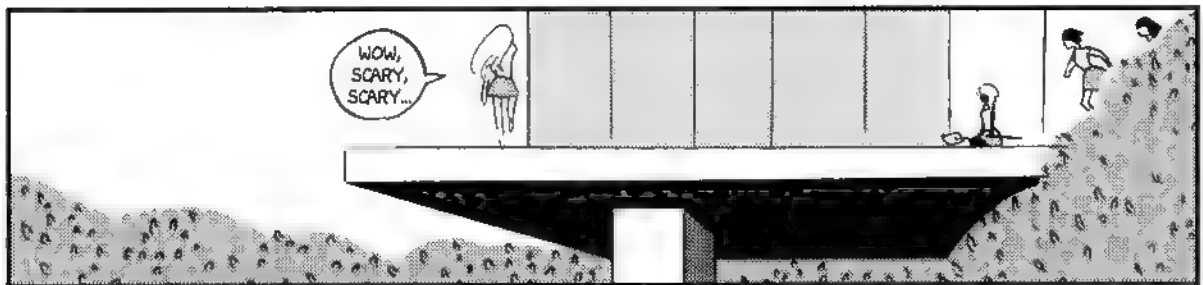


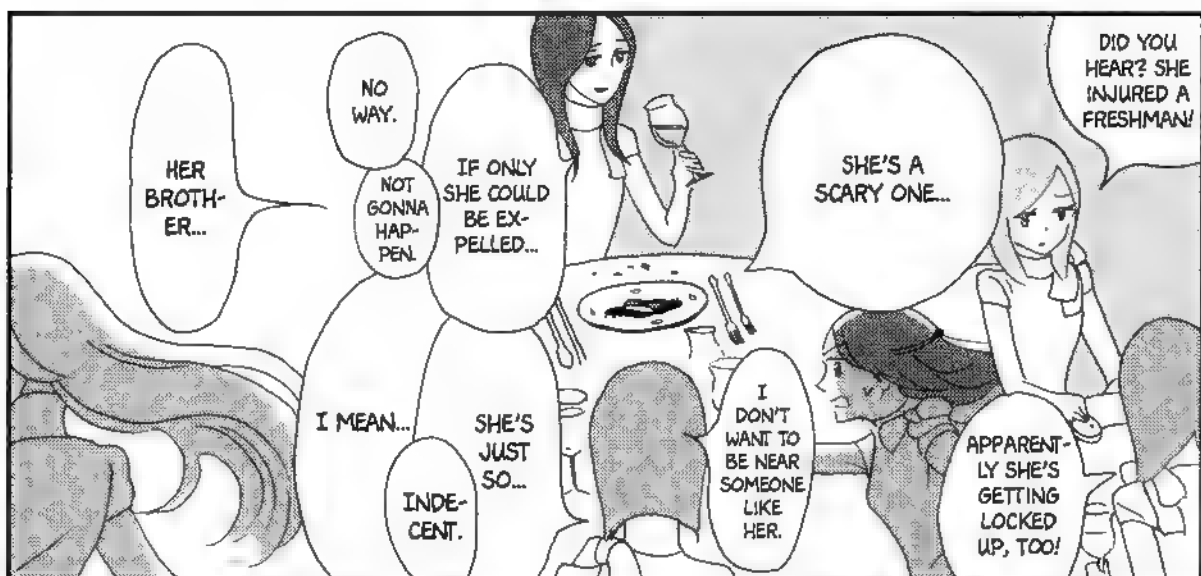




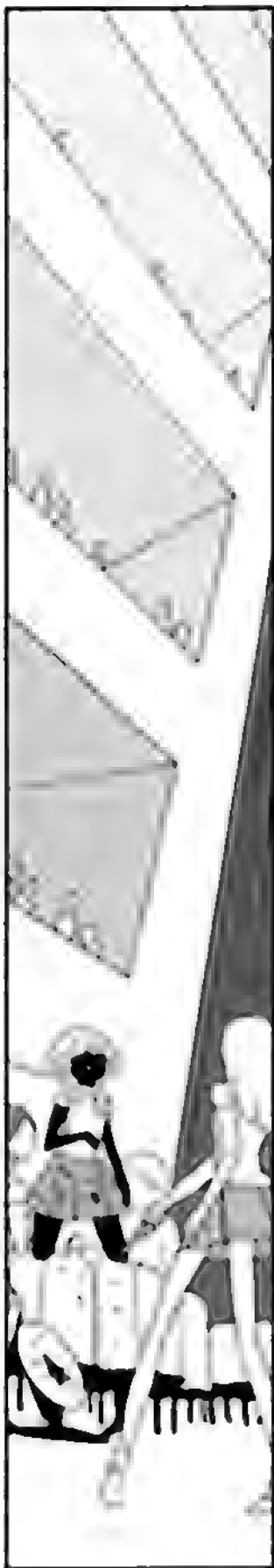


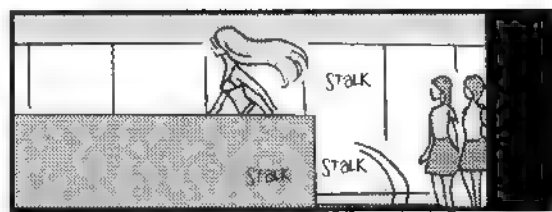
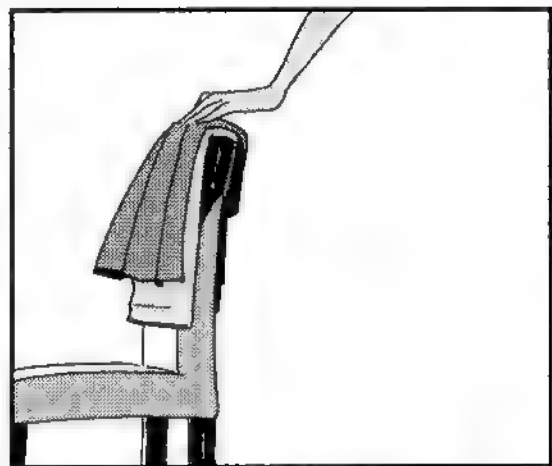


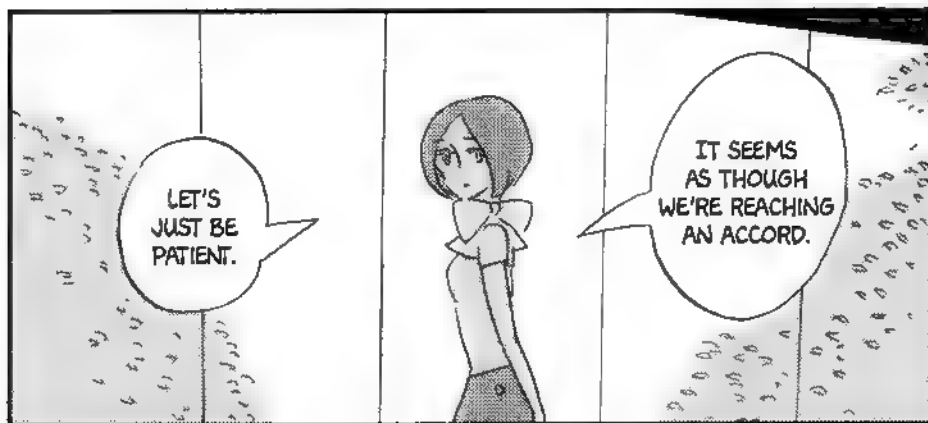


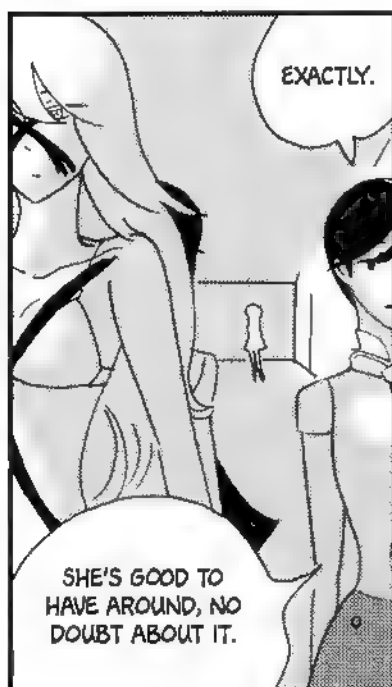
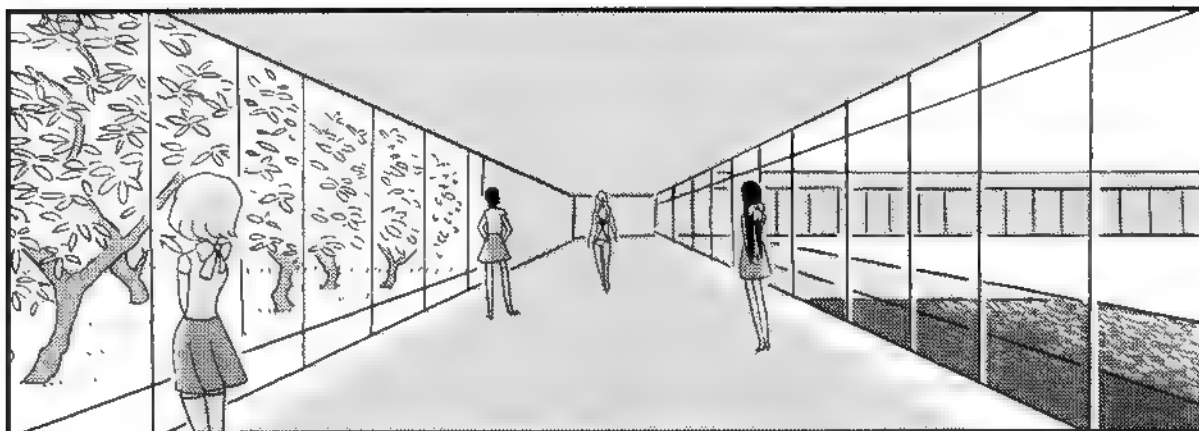


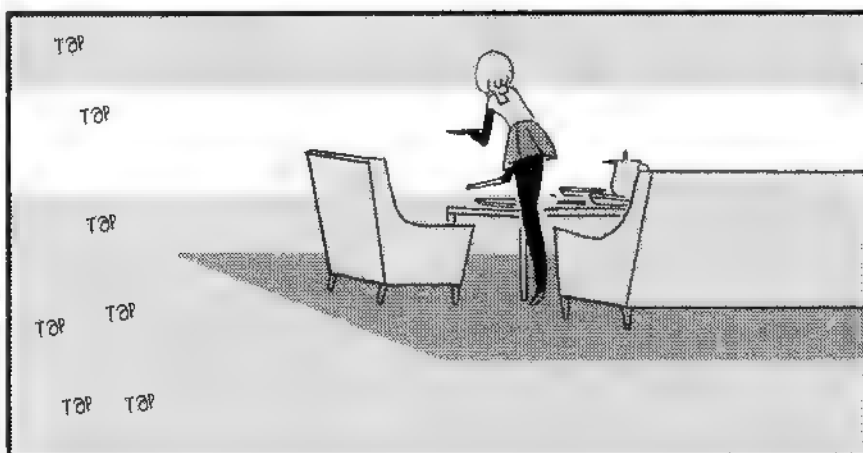












REGARDING THESE FINDINGS, NEO NIJOU, DIRECTOR OF THE FRONTIER ORGANISMS SATURN SPHERE RESEARCH CENTER,

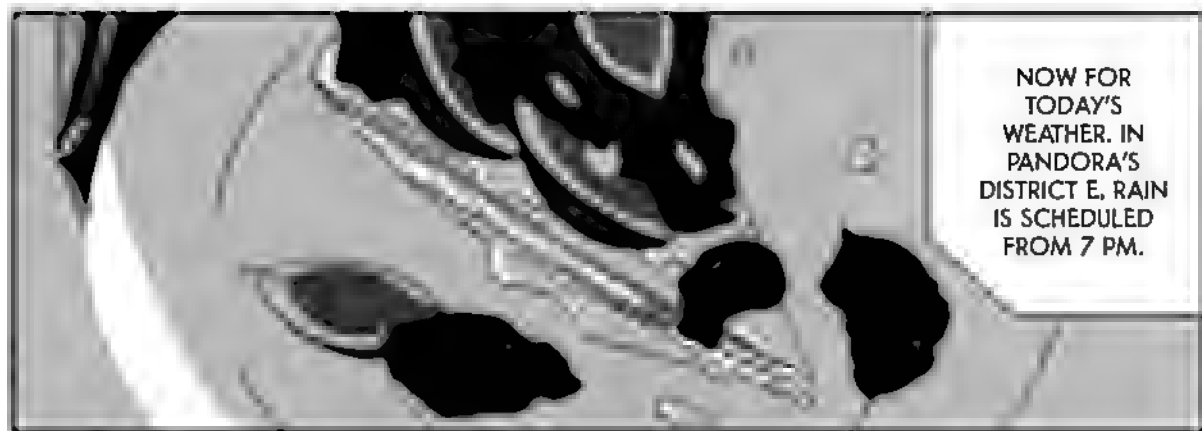
HAS STATED THAT WITH THE SIMULTANEOUS INVESTIGATIONS ON SATURN'S OTHER MOONS POSSESSING ICE—TETHYS, DIONE, AND RHEA, AS WELL AS TITAN, WHICH HAS AN ENVIRONMENT SIMILAR TO PRIMEVAL EARTH—

HE PREDICTS THAT THE SURVEY OF LIFEFORMS IN THE SATURN SPHERE WILL BE COMPLETED WITHIN FOUR YEARS.

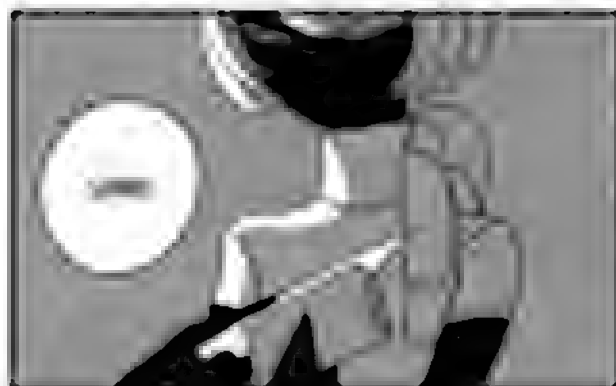
THE INVESTIGATION OF THE SEA UNDER THE ICE LAYER ON ENCELADUS HAS PROGRESSED UP TO 1050 METERS.

CUT

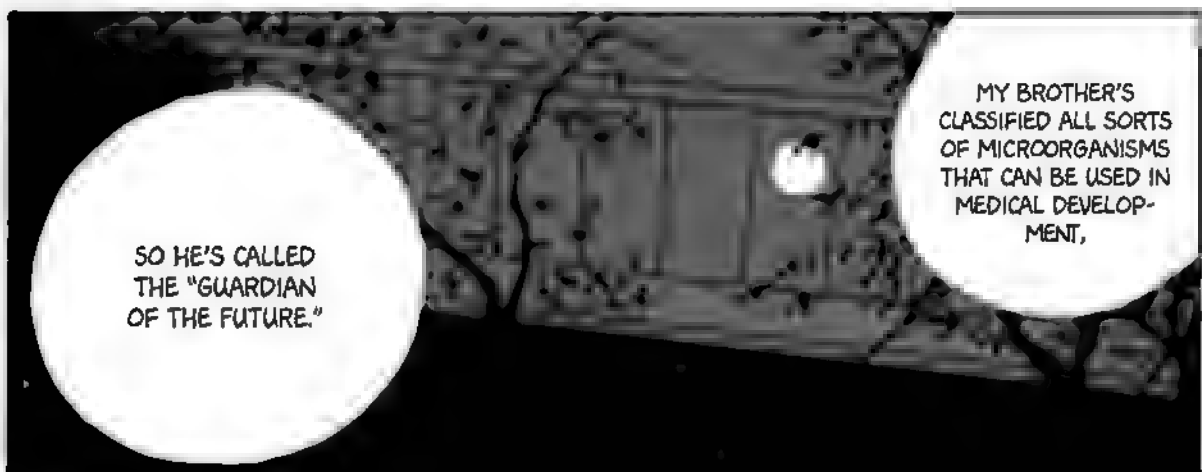
TWELVE NEW VARIETIES OF PRIMITIVE MICROORGANISMS, EUKARYOTIC LIFEFORMS, AND EUKARYOTIC BACTERIA HAVE BEEN COLLECTED.



NOW FOR
TODAY'S
WEATHER. IN
PANDORA'S
DISTRICT E, RAIN
IS SCHEDULED
FROM 7 PM.



GET ALONG
WITH MY
BROTHER, SO
I KINDA...



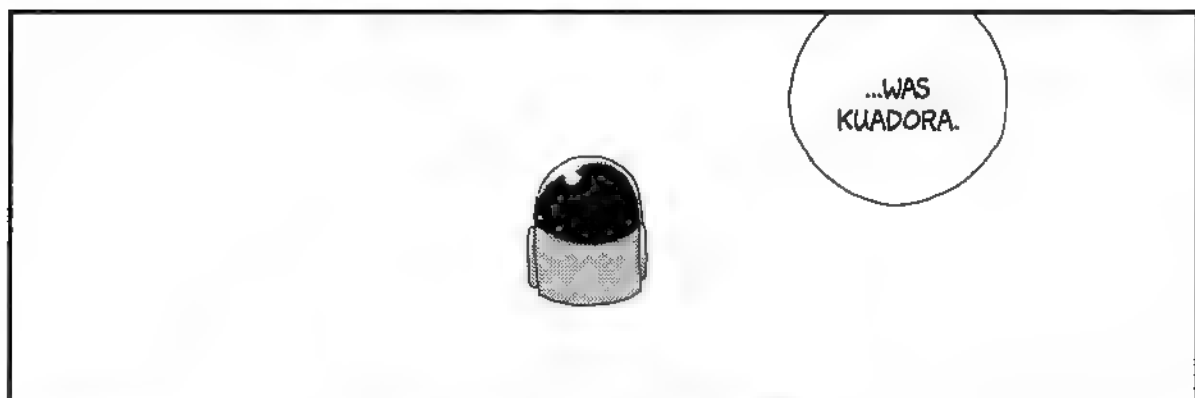
SO HE'S CALLED
THE "GUARDIAN
OF THE FUTURE."

MY BROTHER'S
CLASSIFIED ALL SORTS
OF MICROORGANISMS
THAT CAN BE USED IN
MEDICAL DEVELOP-
MENT,

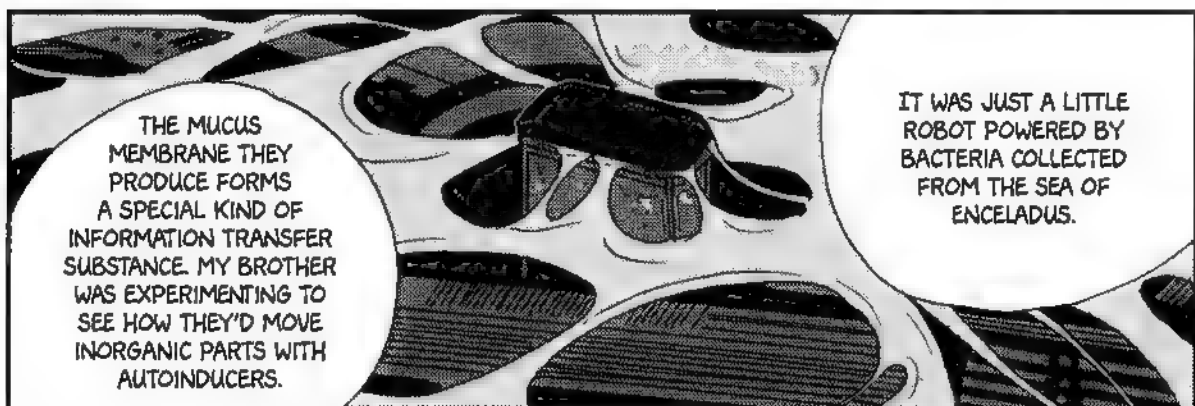


THE ONLY
ONE I HAD ON
MY SIDE...

BUT HE'S EXTREMELY
ANXIOUS, AND SUSPICIOUS,
AND COLD-HEARTED, SO HE
FEARS THE FUTURE MORE
THAN ANYONE.

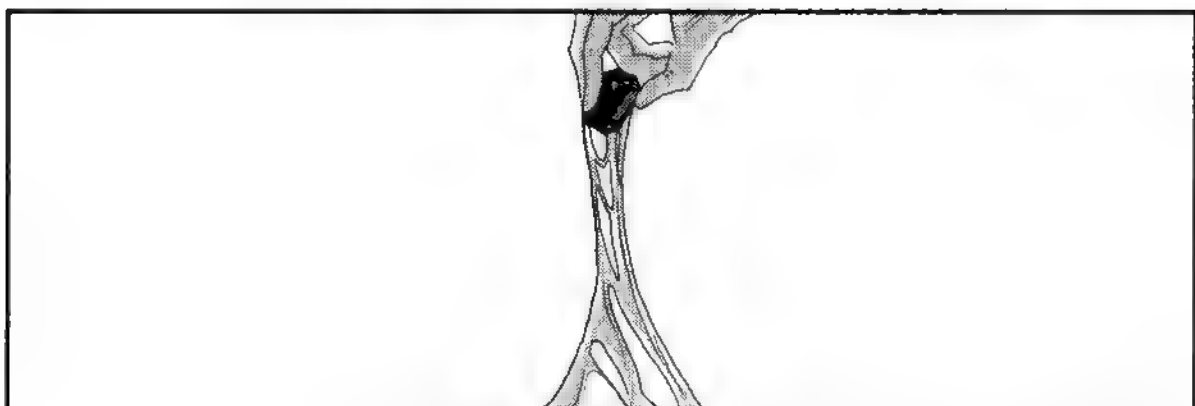


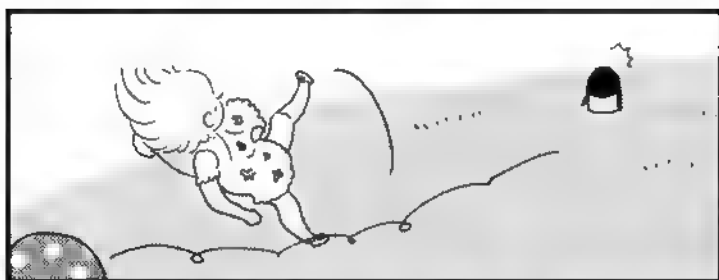
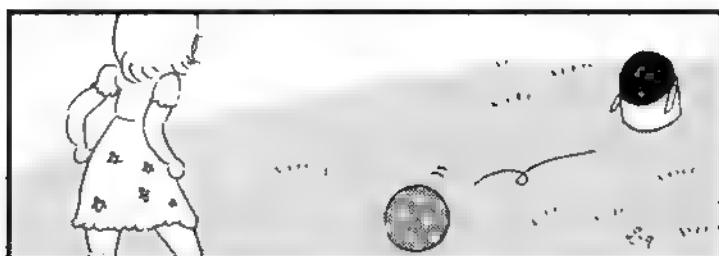
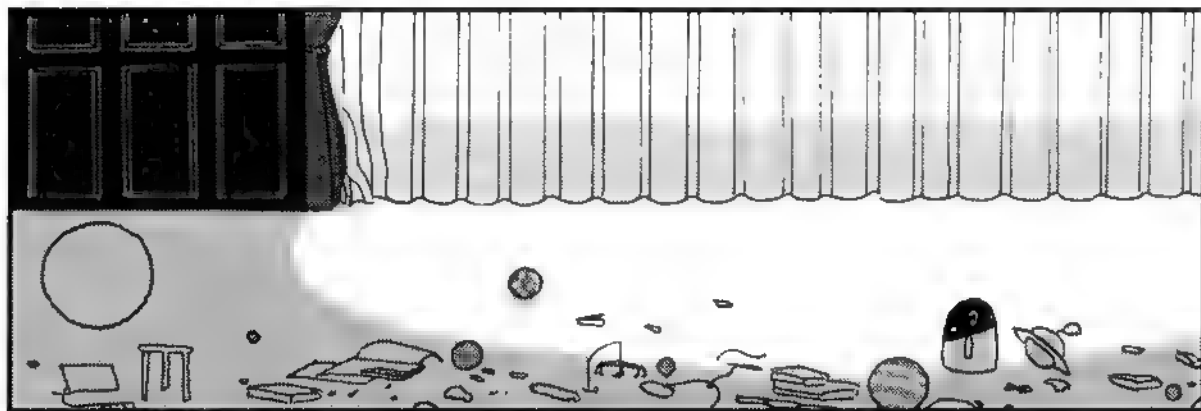
...WAS
KUADORA.



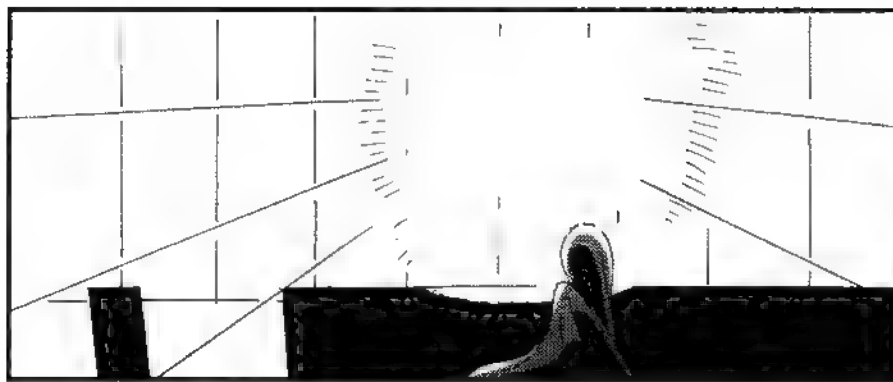
THE MUCUS
MEMBRANE THEY
PRODUCE FORMS
A SPECIAL KIND OF
INFORMATION TRANSFER
SUBSTANCE. MY BROTHER
WAS EXPERIMENTING TO
SEE HOW THEY'D MOVE
INORGANIC PARTS WITH
AUTOINDUCERS.

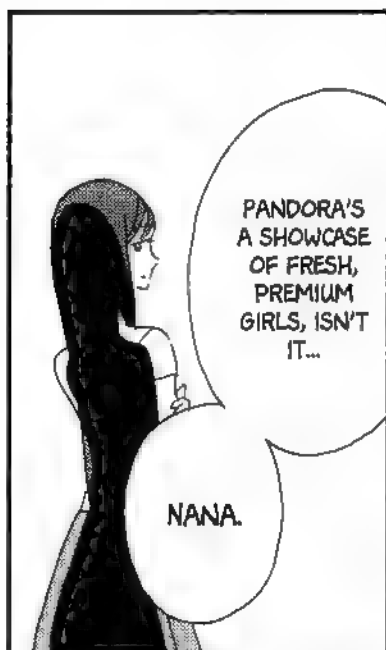
IT WAS JUST A LITTLE
ROBOT POWERED BY
BACTERIA COLLECTED
FROM THE SEA OF
ENCELADUS.

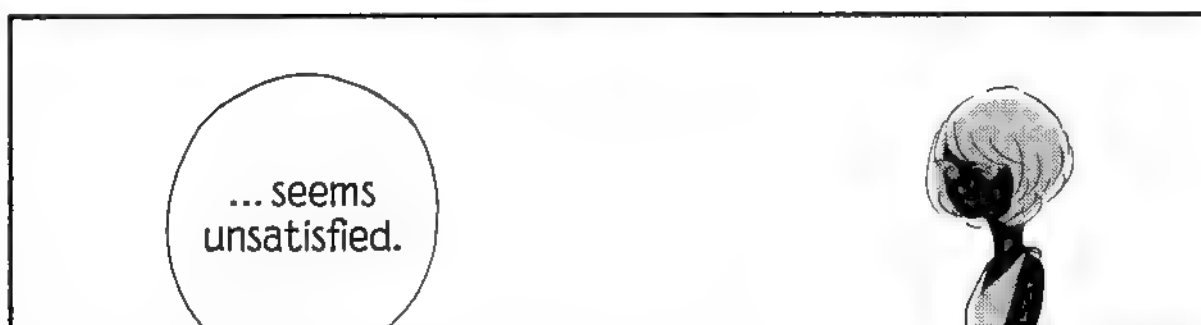


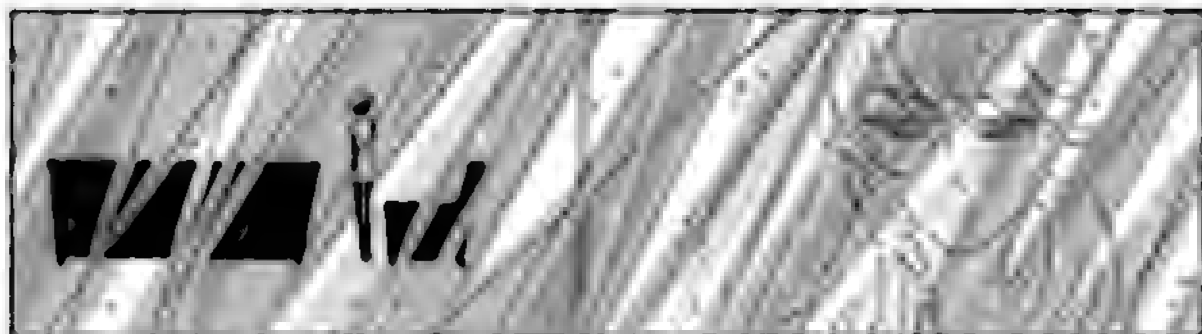
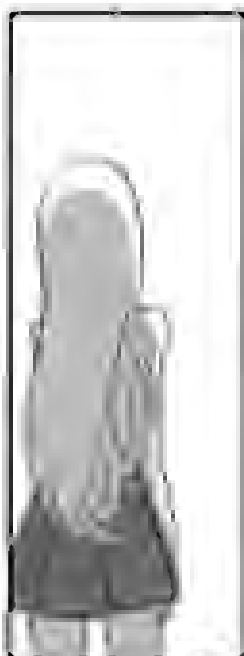


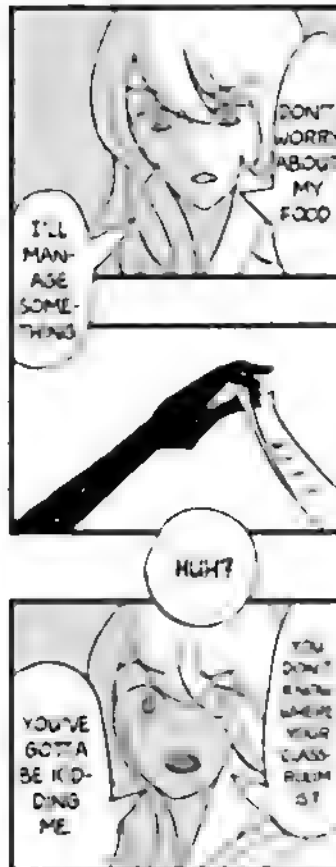


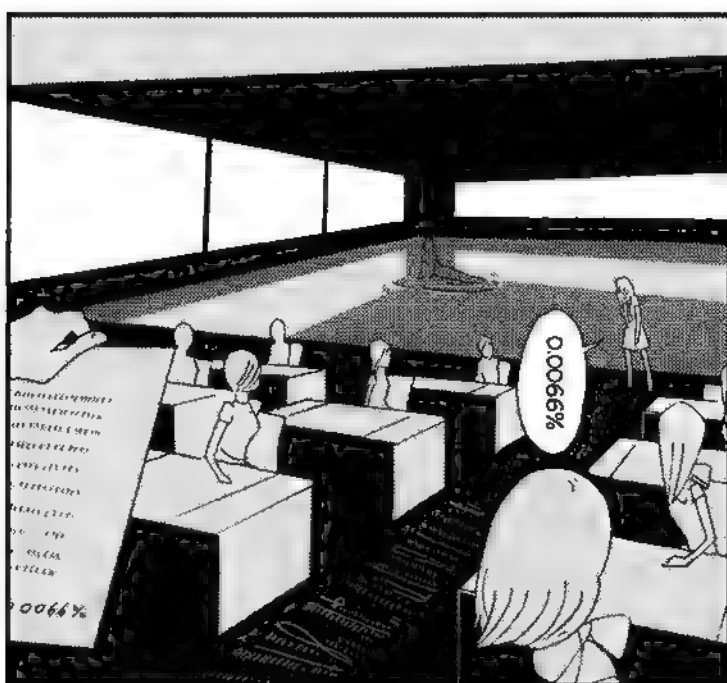
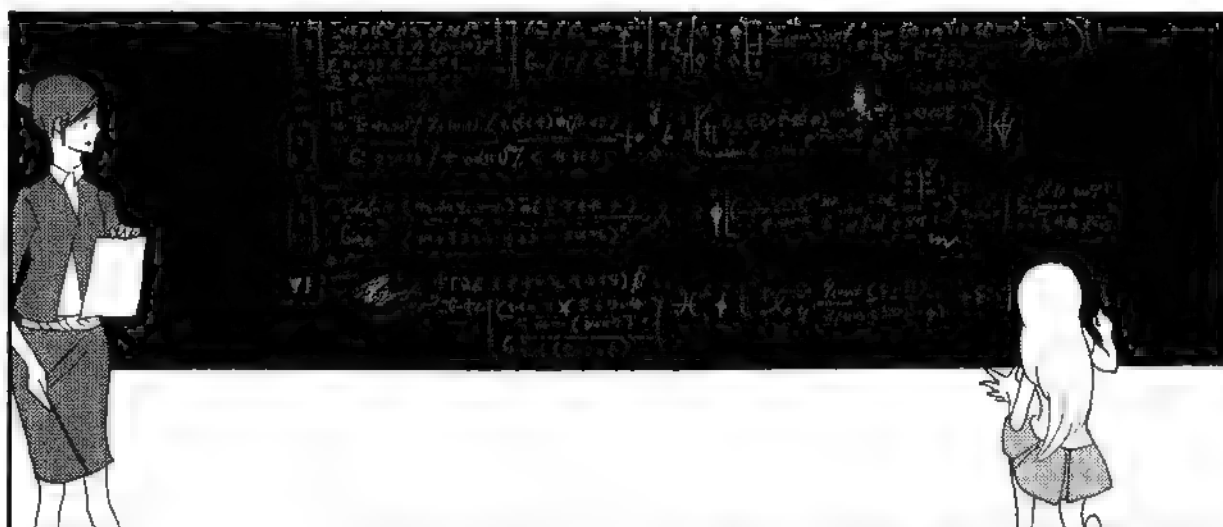


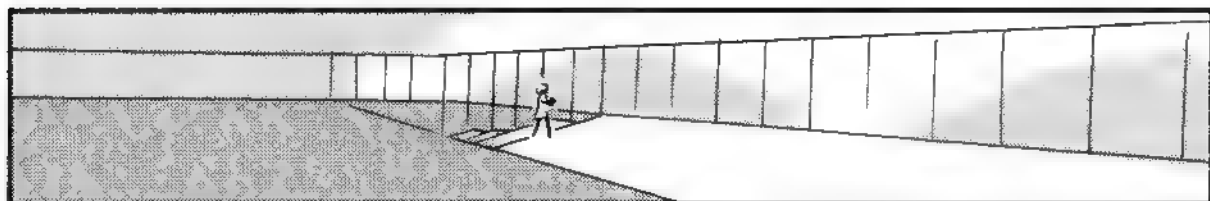
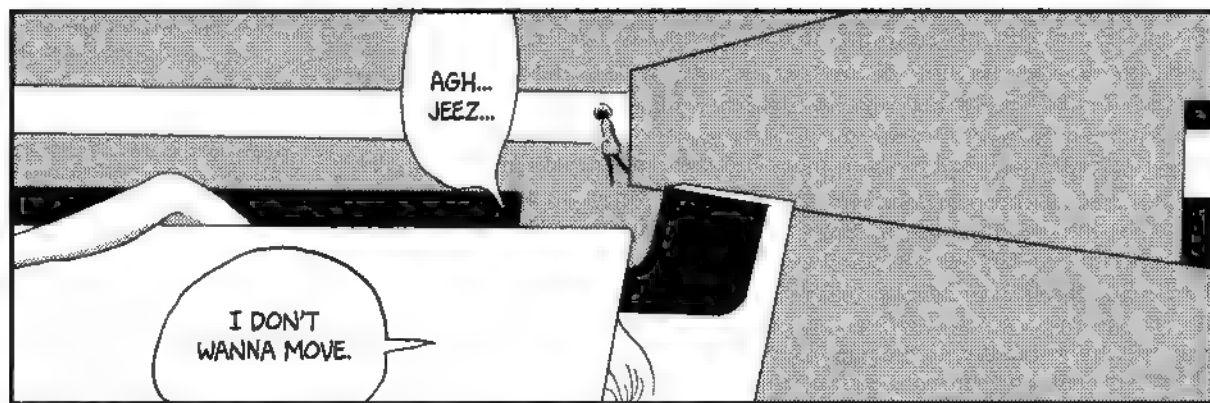




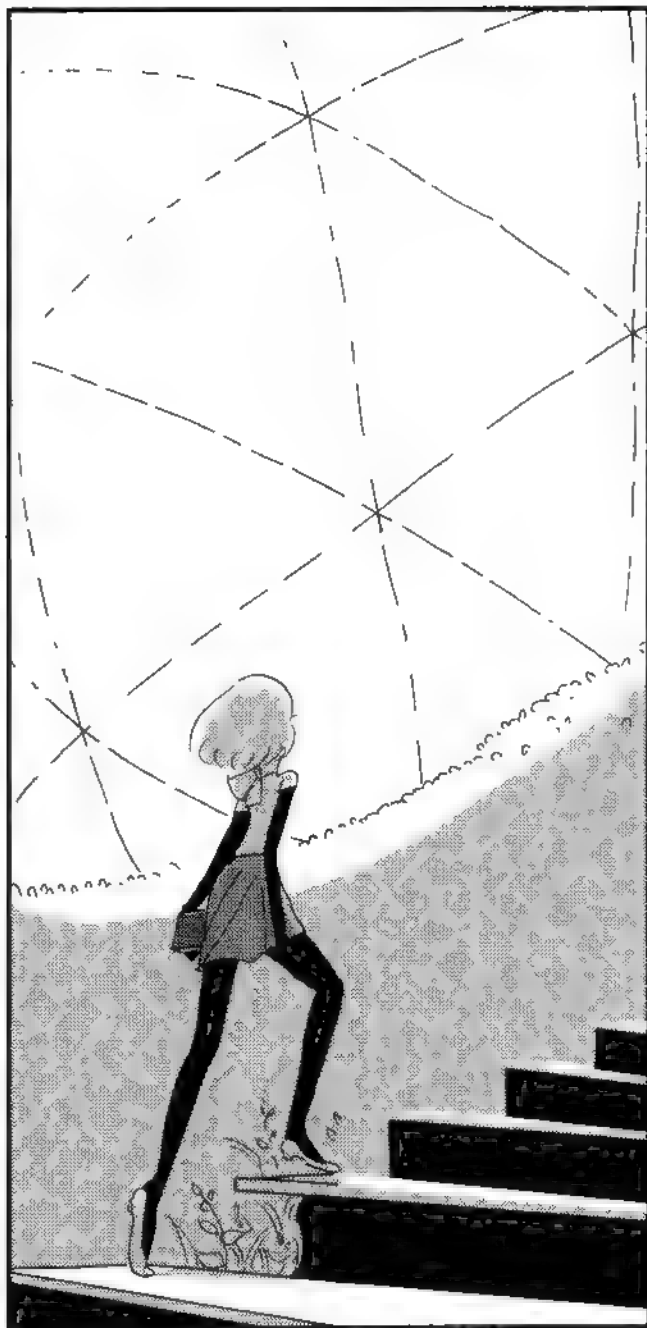
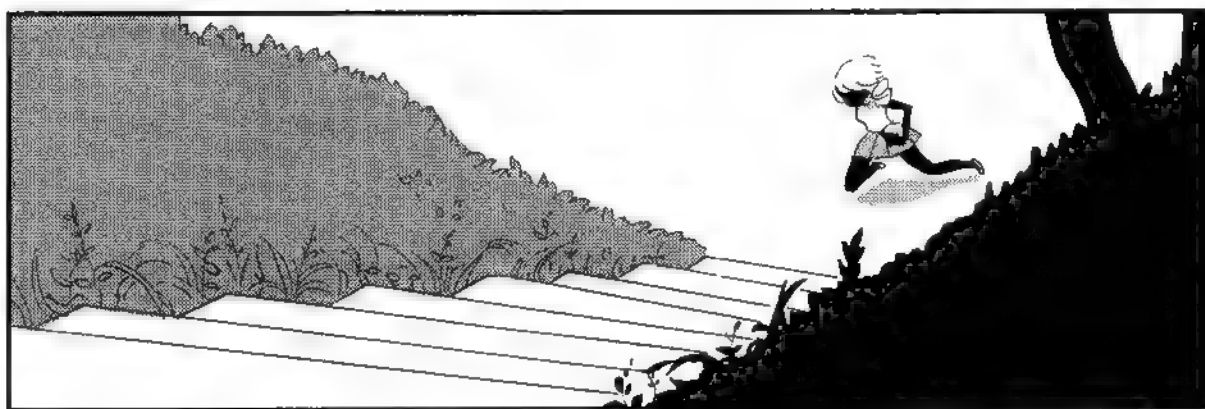


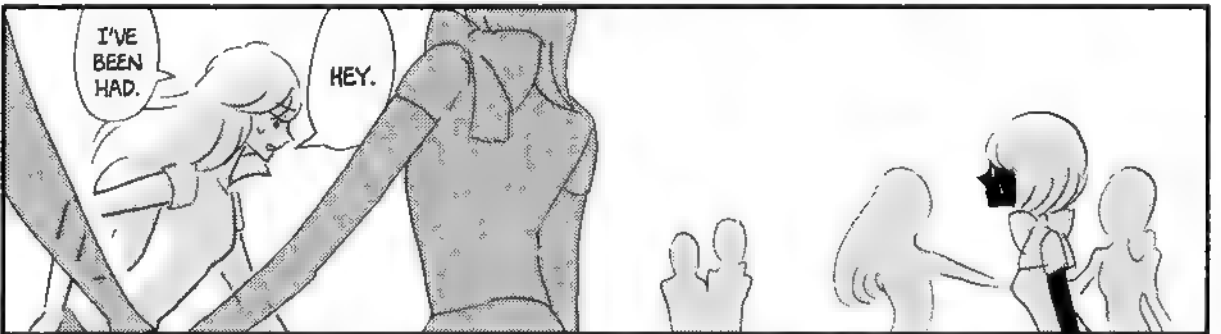
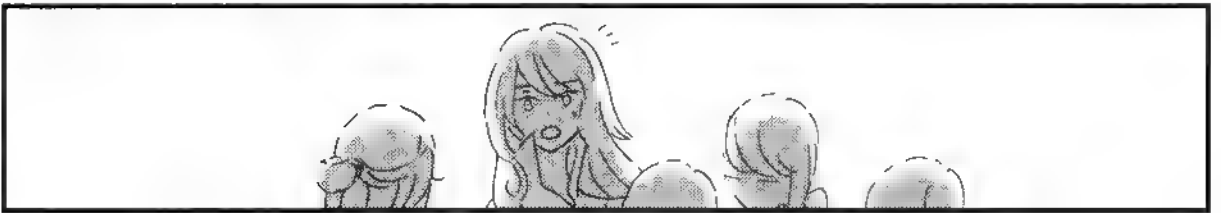
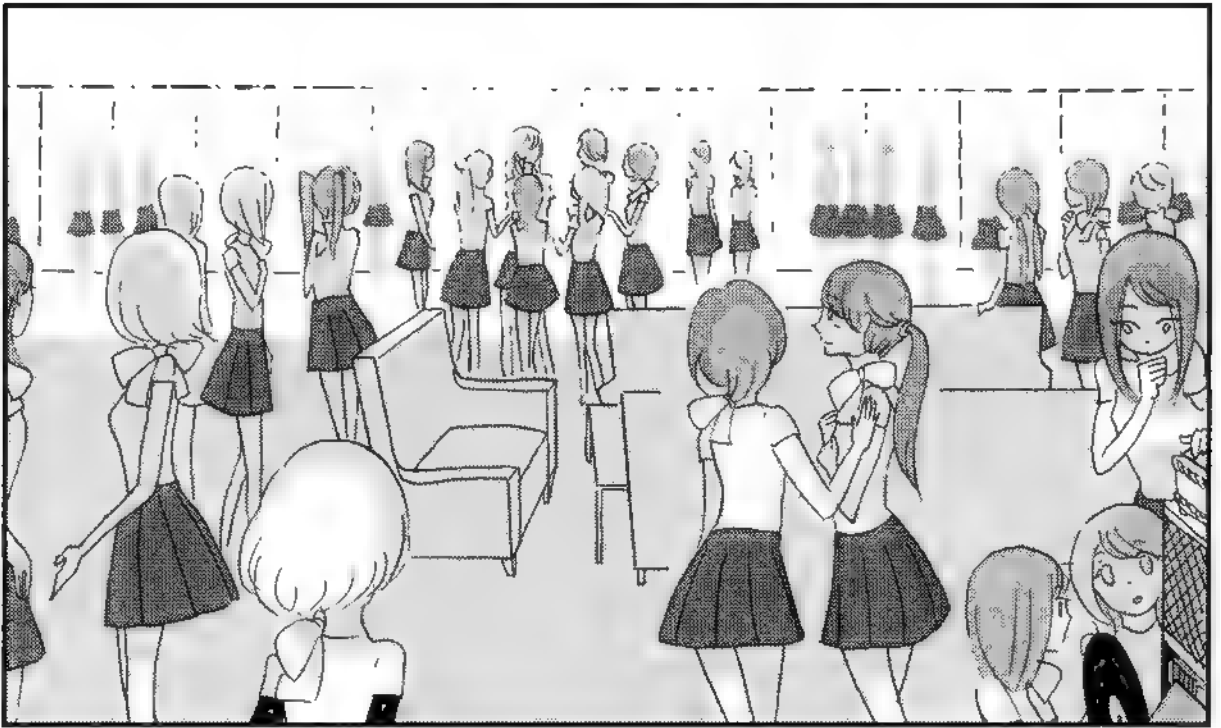




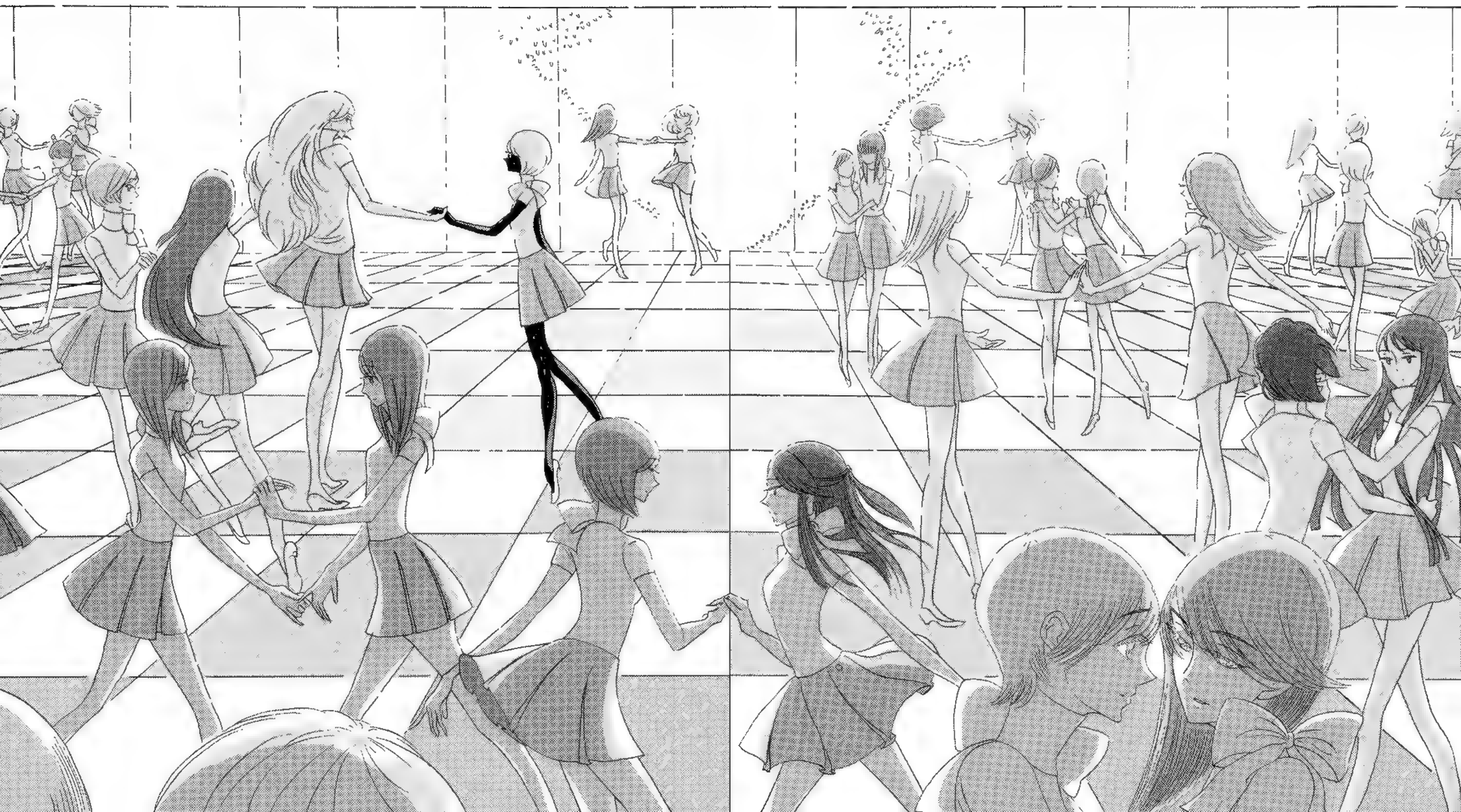






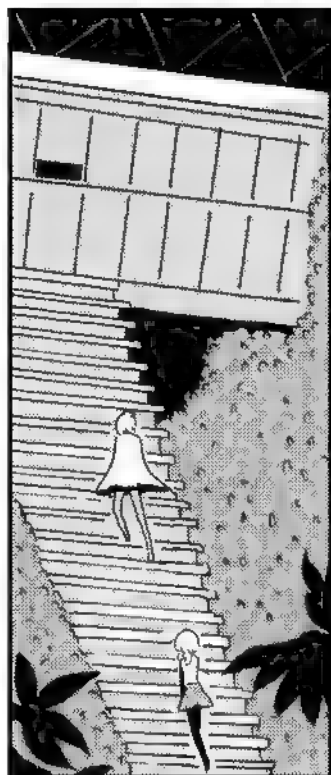






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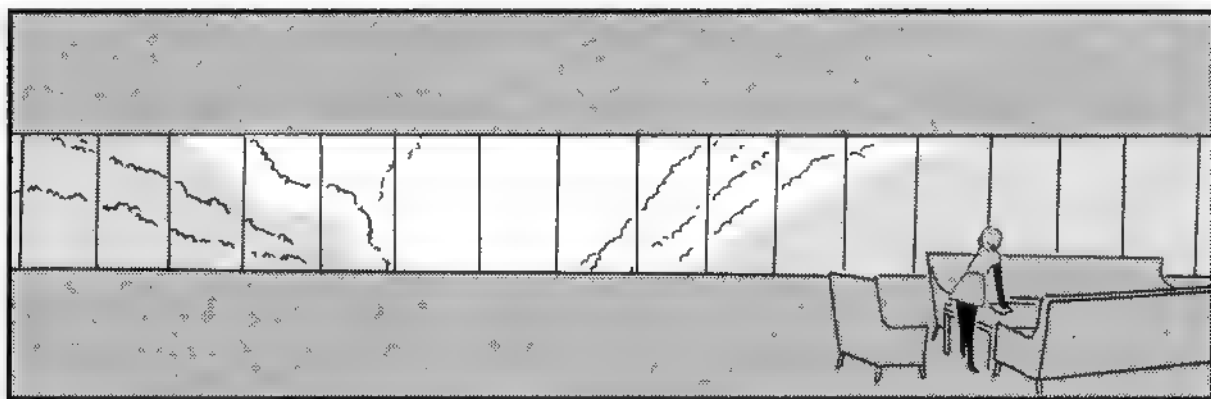






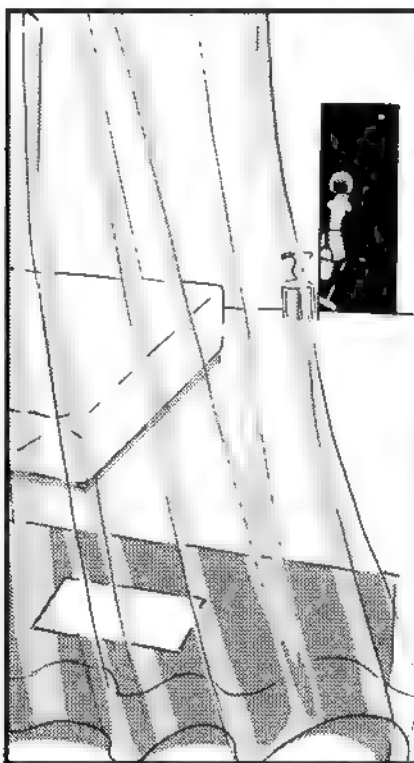
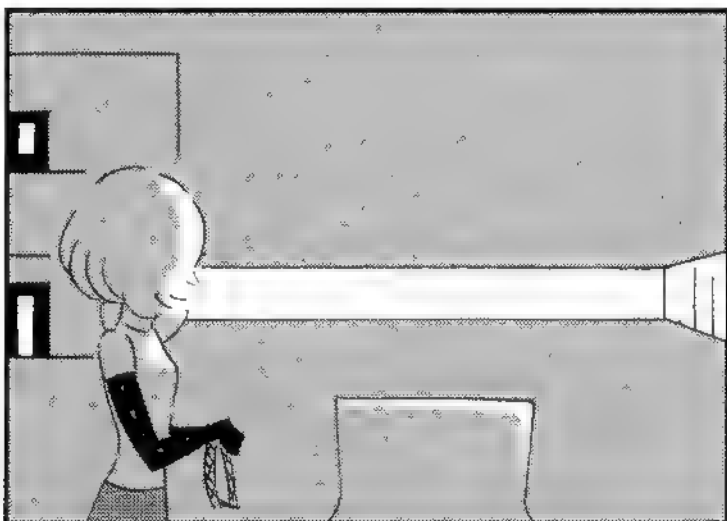
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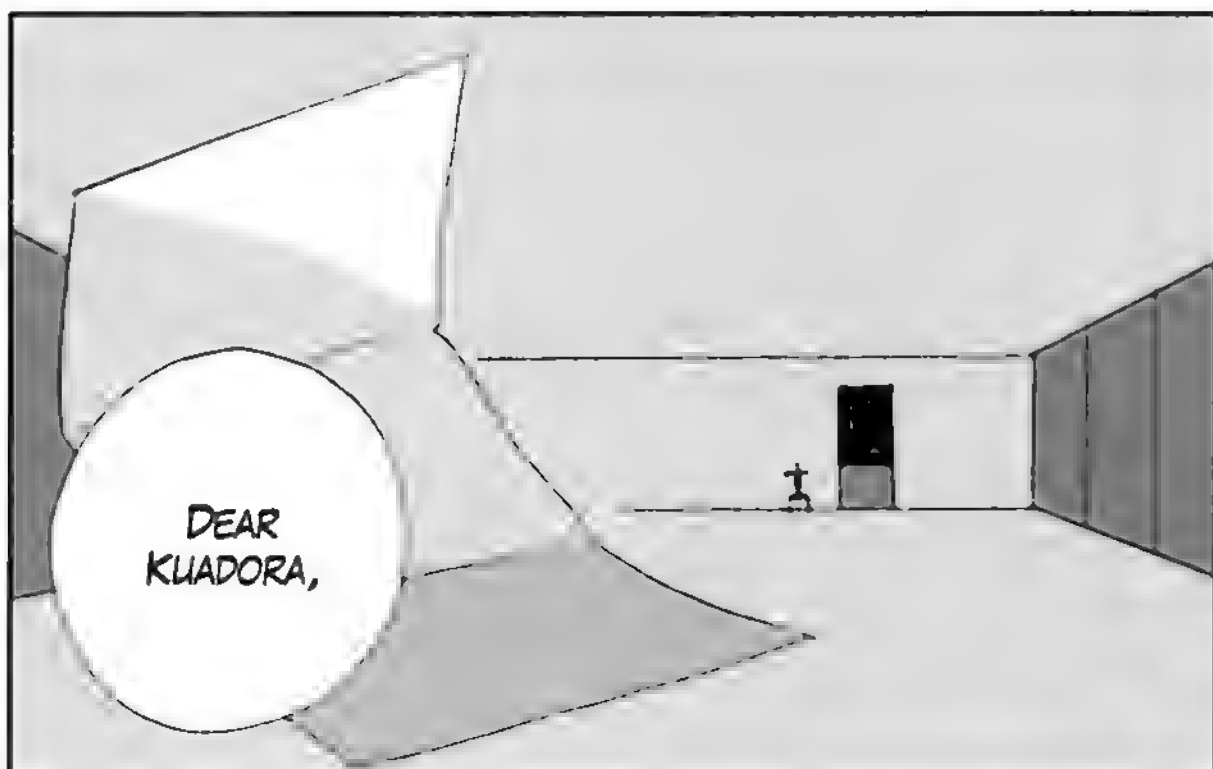


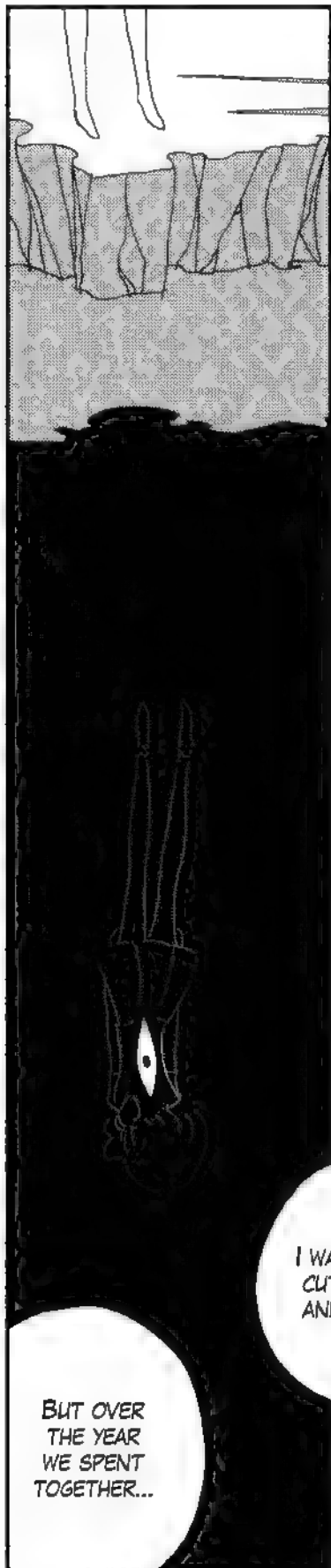


PLEASE BOARD
THE SHIP IN
THE ORDER IN
WHICH YOU
ARE CALLED.

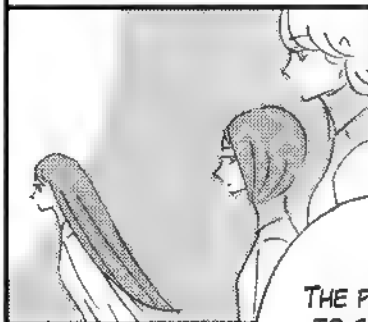
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BUT OVER
THE YEAR
WE SPENT
TOGETHER...



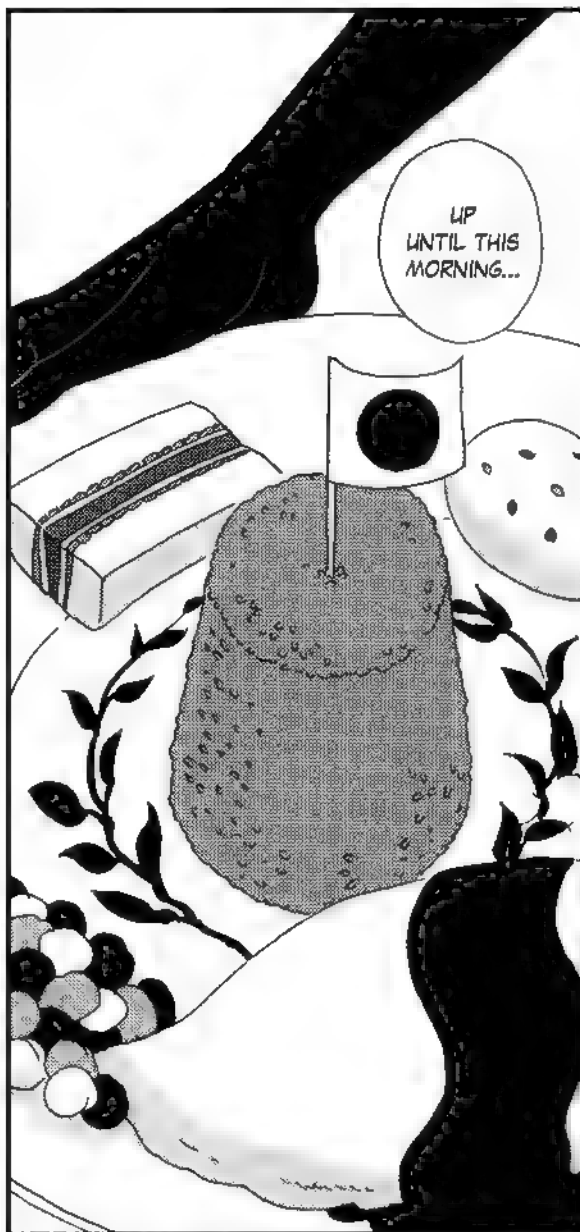
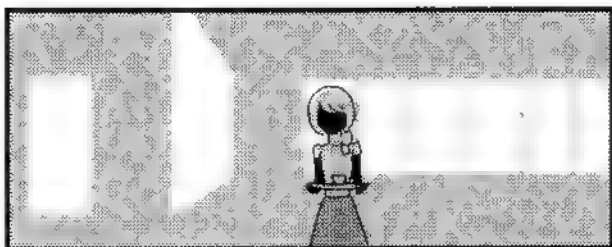
THE PLAN WAS
TO SECRETLY
TAKE YOU TO
ENCELADUS
TODAY.

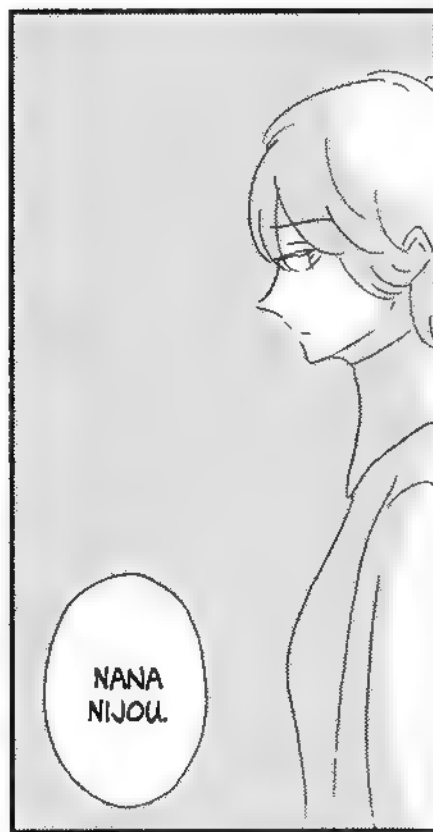
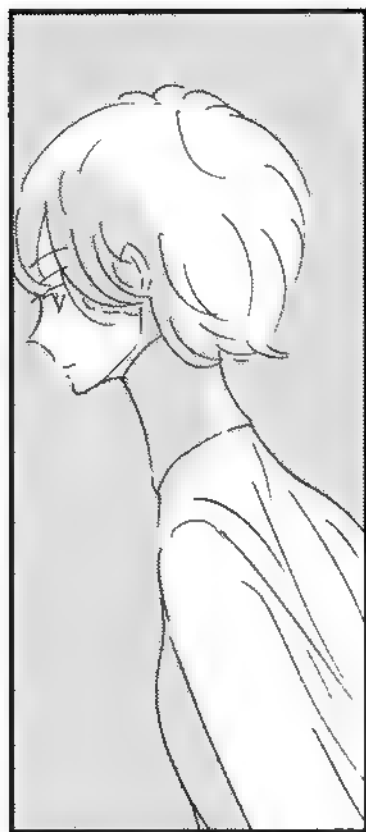
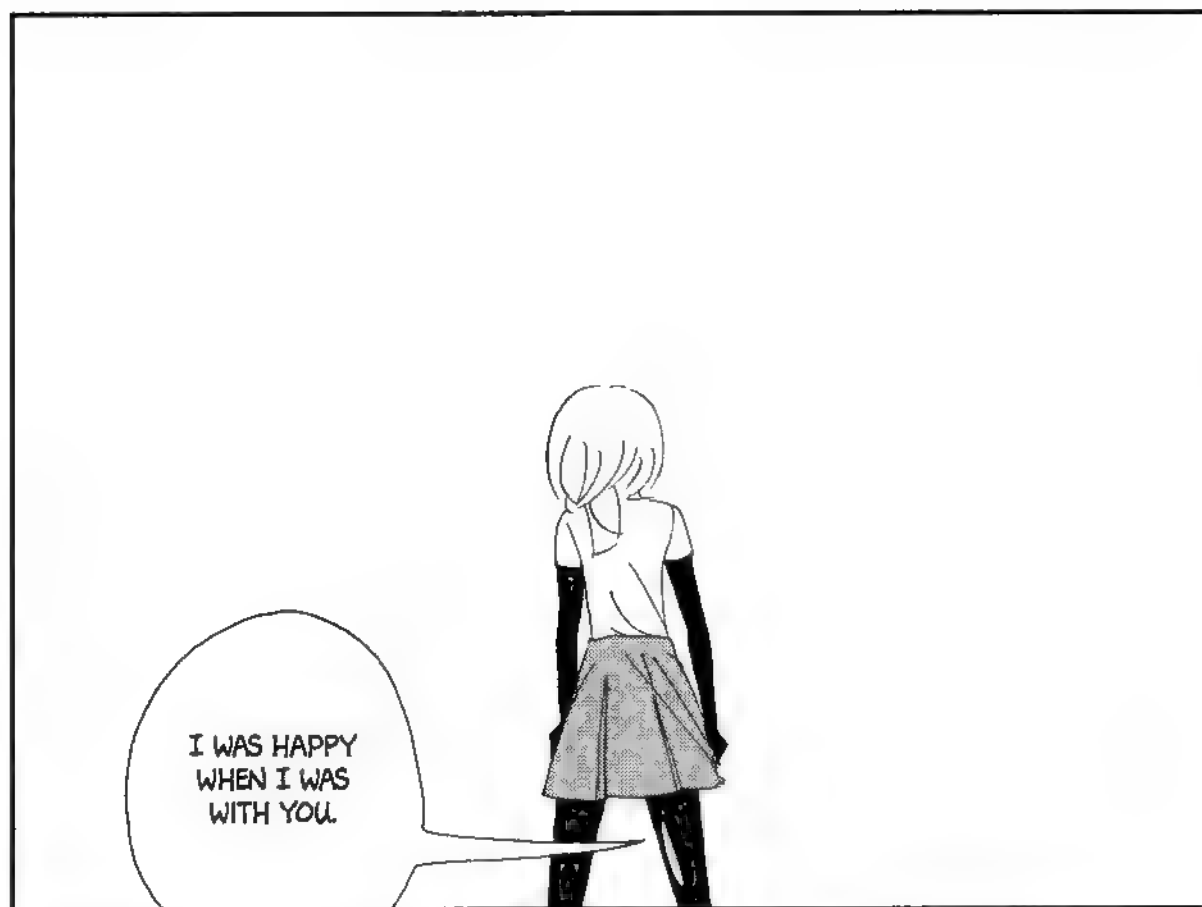


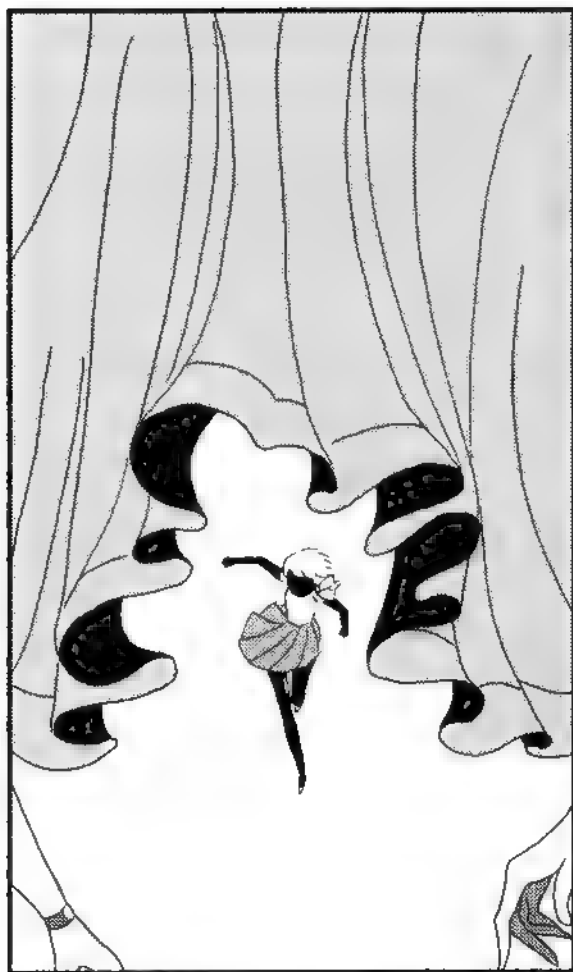
I WAS GOING TO
CUT YOU OPEN
AND SINK YOU.

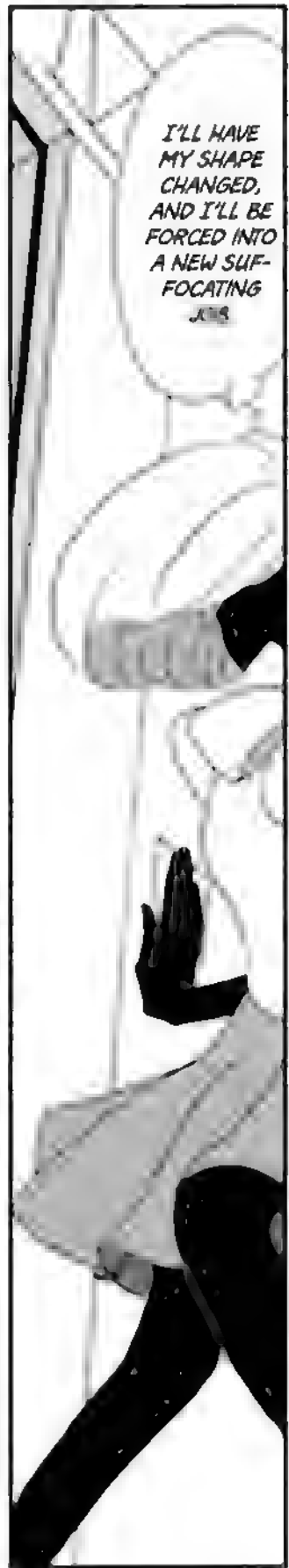


THAT WAS
WHY I CAME TO
PANDORA, AND
DISOBEYED MY
BROTHER SO
YOU'D BE SENT
HERE.
















CAN YOU
HEAR ME,
KUADORA?

NOW THEN,
THIS IS YOUR
NEXT JOB:

THE SAMPLING
OF A PARTICULAR
BIOLOGICAL
ORGANISM.

IF YOU'VE BEEN RELEASED
INTO SPACE, THAT MUST
MEAN IT'S BEEN FOUR YEARS
SINCE YOU FIRST CAME TO
PANDORA. FIRST OF ALL, I
WANT TO THANK YOU FOR
LOOKING AFTER MY SISTER.
I'M SURE YOU DID A FINE
JOB OF RAISING HER.

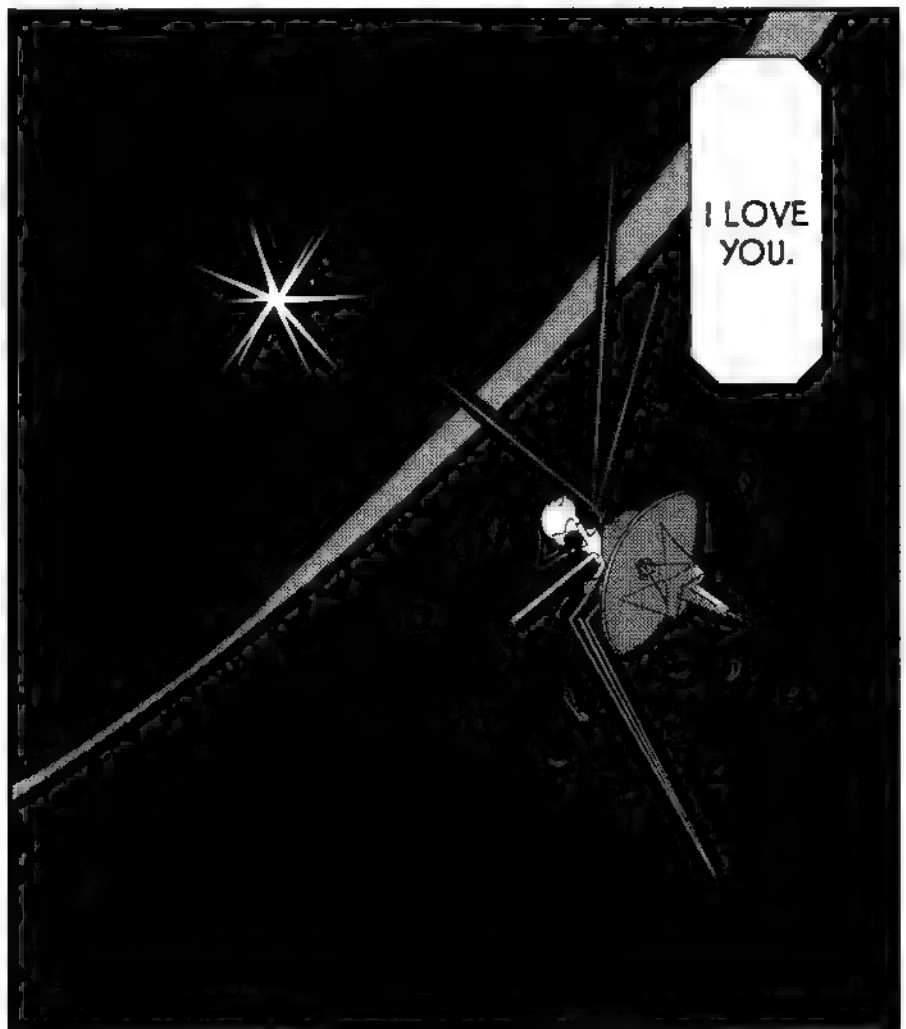
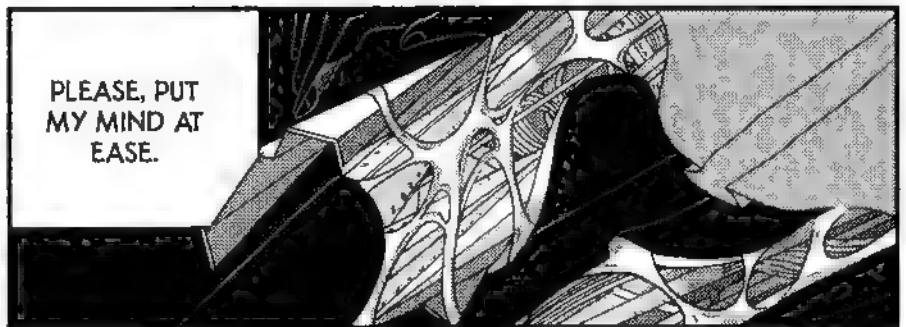
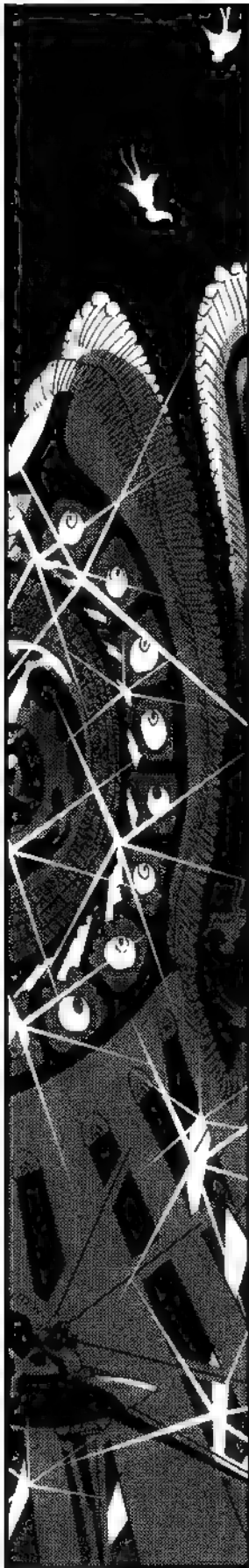
I WANT
IT ALL.

NEW FRAMEWORKS
AND ENERGY WHICH
CAN SUPPORT
LARGE-SCALE
LIFEFORMS. SCALES
THAT CAN'T BE
PENETRATED BY
COSMIC RAYS. THE
PRINCIPLES OF
WORMHOLE
TRANSPORTATION.
SCIENTIFIC LAWS
WE HAVEN'T
DISCOVERED.

GO INSIDE WITH
THOSE GIRLS, AND
SEND ME ALL THE
DATA YOU CAN.

IT SHOULD APPEAR
SOON. SMART AS
YOU ARE, I'M SURE
YOU'LL UNDERSTAND
RIGHT AWAY.

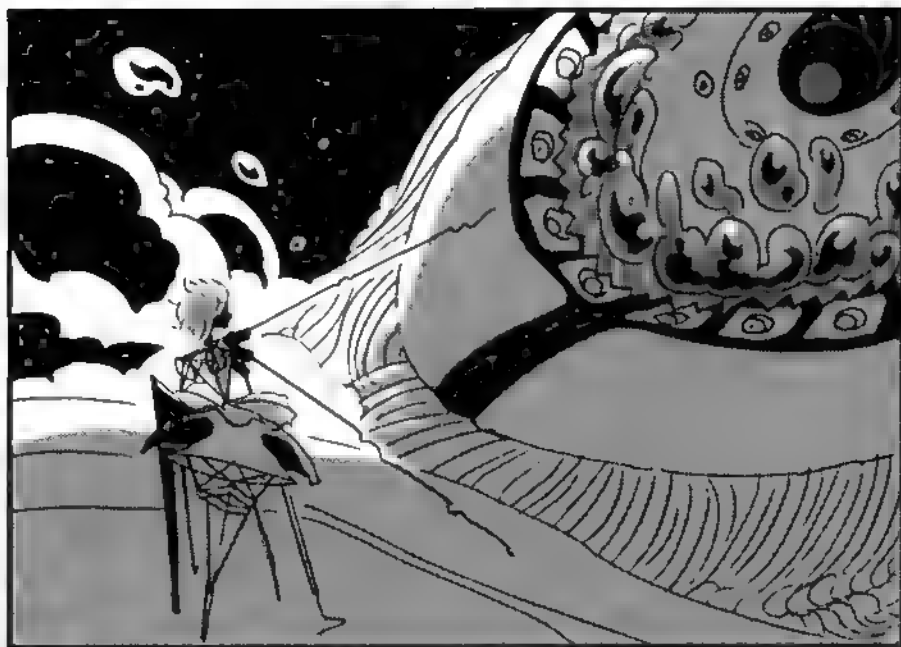
I'VE BEEN
PREPARING THIS FOR
THE LAST TEN-ODD
YEARS, USING THE
BEST-QUALITY
SACRIFICES TO GET
IT ACCUSTOMED
TO EATING WHAT
I SEND.



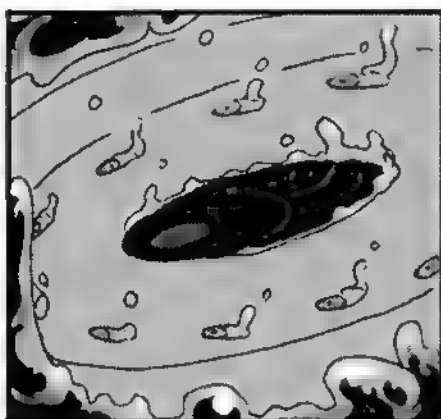






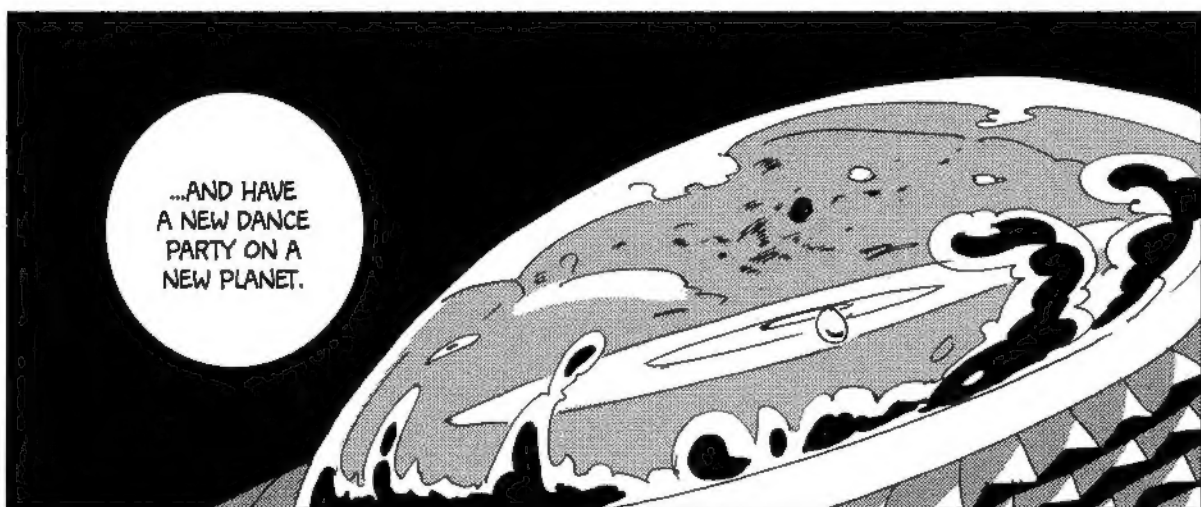


YOU...



THAT ENDS
TODAY. I'M
QUITTING THIS
DULL JOB...







SO LET'S
RUN TO THE
ENDS OF THE
UNIVERSE.

